

Michigan Happenings

A standardized reading examination for testing the abilities of children from the fourth to the eighth grades has just been completed and published by Professor V. H. Hargrove, of the faculty of Western State Normal school, Kalamazoo, in collaboration with Dr. Clifford Woody, head of the research department of the University of Michigan. The test is worked out to measure the child's ability to grasp word meaning and fact material, his rate of reading and comprehension of the total meaning.

The sale which was practically wrecked by burglars when they robbed the postoffice at East Ann Arbor, has been opened by mechanics and private officials and \$26,000 in stamps and \$1,500 in cash were found intact. The burglars used an automatic torch to open the vault door but their efforts to open the inner compartment with the torch stopped up the mechanism of the safe.

Further hearings on the petition of the Harlan Portland Cement Co. for an order to compel the Detroit and Mackinac connecting roads to provide through rates on cement have been held before the Public Utilities Commission. It was asserted by the company that the roads have refused to give it a through rate comparable with that offered in competing territory.

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An order has been issued by the Michigan public utilities commission holding that the exchange of stock carried out by the Consumers Power company in its refunding operations are taxable by the commission. The state's two invoices \$37,000.

Navigation is nearing a close in northern Lake Michigan and the following lights have been and will be operated after sunrise on the date mentioned until the opening of navigation in the spring of 1925: St. Ignace and Mackinac Point, December 1; St. Ignace, White Shoals and Red Bay Lights, December 5; Beaver Island and North Fox Island, December 7; Harbor Point and Beaver Island, December 15, and Grand Traverse and North Manitowish Island, December 17. It is probable the storm warning tower at this place will make no displays after December 15.

Prof. Ned H. Williams, of the physics department of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, is co-operating with Dr. A. W. Hall, of the research laboratory of the General Electric company, in conducting experiments by which they have been able to listen to the movement of electrons, the smallest particles of matter. Mr. Hall, declared at a meeting of the American Physical Society at Ann Arbor. They used a vacuum amplifier in which the amplification is carried to a shielded thousand fold.

Finding a conspiracy to exist between certain claimed persons to obstruct the proper administration of the law and to obstruct justice, Circuit Court Judge Leland F. Carr of the Michigan court closed the phase of a woman grand jury inquiry into law enforcement. Mr. Carr, with the filing of a report which recommended immediate prosecution. Judge Carr points out in his report that the prosecution of the case is a matter of public interest.

Arthur W. Jewett, Jr., of Marquette, was elected vice-president of the Michigan Agricultural College. He has held the title for three consecutive years. He is a native of Marquette and was the reserve champion in the state wrestling tournament.

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NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

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LEONARDO CALLES

President of Mexico, and his large number of delegates from the American Federation of Labor who journeyed to Mexico City to attend the ceremony.

One result of this visit, according to prominent Mexican politicians, will be to give a death blow to socialism and radicalism in that country. The radical leaders there have been creating a lot of trouble, the Mexican minister doing his share, but they are now entirely discredited and organized labor in Mexico is said to be determined to rid itself of the Communists.

ESTONIA'S government, which recently expressed an attempt to seize power by Communist forces from the Russian government, is being crushed by the Russian government. The Russian government is being crushed by the Russian government.

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LEO KOLETZ, the clever swindler who stole \$100,000 from his friends in Chicago months ago and then fled, has been discovered in New York. He is now being held by the police.

SOVIET Russia has gone back to "wariness." The council of people's commissars has issued a decree permitting the manufacture and sale of liquor and wine up to a strength of 30 per cent alcohol, which is only 10 per cent below the present strength.

CITIZENS of Peking were much worried by the withdrawal of Marshal Chang and the gradual entry into the city of the troops of General Feng. It was believed Chang retired to avoid an armed conflict with the "Christian general."

LEONARD KRASSIN, the first ambassador of Soviet Russia to France, arrived in Paris to take up his duties.

He was given a noisy welcome by 5,000 Communists. Red flags were displayed and fiery speeches made and "internationalism" was sung. One Communist deputy said: "The world revolution has at last reached Paris."

MARKET REPORT

PREPARED BY U. S. BUREAU OF MARKETS, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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The American Legion

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NEW NATIONAL VICE COMMANDER ON JOB

Frank H. McFarland, one of the new national vice commanders of the American Legion, graduated from positions of great responsibility in the organization of the department of Kansas to the national organization. His election to national office is due to the record he made as commander of the Kansas department. He is said by those most familiar with his work to have given the department one of its outstanding administrations.

It was during his term of office that the department of Kansas raised \$100,000 for the establishment of American Legion Children's Bibles. A tract of 398 acres on which it is now being constructed was donated by a publicist at Otter Lake, Mich., with No. 1 at Otter Lake, Mich., are features in the Legion's program to care for the 5,000 orphans of World War service men who now demand attention.

The new national vice commander has been active in Legion work in Kansas since the first organization of the Legion. He was the first post-adjutant of Capitol Post No. 1, Topeka, Kan., serving until he moved to Washington, Kan., where he now maintains his residence. He was for two years



Frank H. McFarland.

a member of the state executive committee. Mr. McFarland is a lawyer by profession and is at present assistant United States district attorney for Kansas. He entered the service as a private in 1917 and was later commissioned a first lieutenant. He was with the One Hundred Thirtieth Field artillery. He is a graduate of the University of Kansas and has lived in that state all his life.

Urged Not to Remove Patients From State

A protest of the alleged intention of the United States veterans' bureau to remove a large number of government patients from the Soldiers' Reformatory at Sulphur, Okla., was made the subject of a resolution passed by the executive committee of the Department of Oklahoma, American Legion. The Legionnaires ask the veterans' bureau to refrain from removing the patients from the grounds that they should be hospitalized in their home state as they now are in ready access of their families and friends. The Legionnaires further point out that Oklahoma's facilities to care for the war-disabled are as fine as can be found in the United States, and no advantage could be obtained by transferring the patients from the Sulphur institution to hospitals in Arizona and New Mexico.

To Make Next Legion Convention Greatest

"Princes of the blood and blue-blooded thoroughbreds will be among those present when the seventh national convention of the American Legion convenes in Omaha in 1925," it was determined upon at the first meeting of the convention executive committee. The prince of Wales as a guest; presence in Omaha of all prominent generals and admirals of the United States forces; bringing to Omaha of such famous race-horses as Epiphany, Black Gold, Zev and others, constitutes part of the entertainment program decided upon. "We want to make Omaha's Legion convention the greatest ever held in America," said Everett Buckingham, chairman of the committee.

Plan to Build Memorial

An impressive memorial to the dead of the World War from the state of New Hampshire is to be erected on the approach to the memorial bridge at Portsmouth, was the subject of a resolution passed at the New Hampshire department convention held at Wells recently. The State department of the Legion will introduce a bill asking that funds be provided for the memorial at the next session of the general court.

The World We Live In

If you find the world dull and depressing it is because you yourself are dull and depressing. Give yourself a good shaking. Try the cheerful tack—and the world will be a different place, laughter and courage are the tonic you need.—Exchange.

Bricks of New Design

Bricks, with facing on one side and unglazed on the other, with air vents that insure insulation against heat and cold, have been introduced.

Christianity • Christmas • Bible

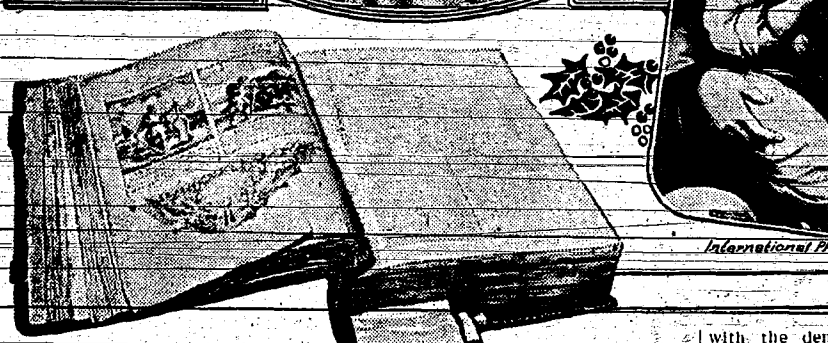


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By JOHN DICKINSON SHERMAN

IT WAS a long time ago—nearly 20 centuries—that Christ Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea. But it was so wonderful a thing that the world changed its calendar to reckon time from that first Christmas day, which gave man a feast start and a new ideal to work for. And now, Anno Domini 1924, that Bethlehem manger is still the source of man's inspiration and spiritual power, still the center of the world's interest and affection.

Christianity—as represented by the churches and the sects—seems to be at war with itself. Fundamentalists and Modernists debate fiercely, one with the other. The church is accused of inefficiency. The authority of the Bible is denied. There are those who predict the decline and fall of Christianity.

Nevertheless, make no mistake about this: Christianity is still the driving power of the world. No man can give it up and still be a human being. It is the only thing that gives man a purpose, a goal, a direction. It is the only thing that gives man a sense of responsibility, a sense of duty, a sense of honor. It is the only thing that gives man a sense of love, a sense of compassion, a sense of mercy. It is the only thing that gives man a sense of hope, a sense of faith, a sense of belief.

This is the truth. All men know it. Then their hearts soften with love toward home and children and neighbor and "to men of good will" everywhere.

This means that social reform must come from within. It cannot be forced by law. The government of a country never gets ahead of the religion of the country. There is no way by which we can substitute the authority of law for the virtue of man. Of course, we can help to restrain the vicious and maintain a fair degree of security and protection by legislation and police control, but the real reforms which society in these days is seeking will come as a result of our religious convictions, or they will not come at all. Peace, justice, humanity, charity—these cannot be legislated into being. They are the result of a Divine Grace.

So said President Coolidge in a recent public address. Forget the authority of his office; remember that Calvin Coolidge, the man, has won a high place as a student of American life and institutions. This American government is founded on religion, as

President Coolidge said elsewhere in his address. Conversely, loss of faith in a religion that teaches liberty, justice, humanity, charity means ultimate loss of faith in the American government.

The head of Jesus given herewith is not once a delight to the eye and a joy to the heart. It looks as one might expect the young Jesus did look. The painter's brush, the graver's tool and the sculptor's chisel have been busy through the centuries with representations of Jesus. Yet in all the world there is a likeness of Him with any credible claim to authenticity? One thinks not. But there is a word picture of an older Jesus that pleases the heart and soul of every man, woman and child. It is the picture of a man who is said to have been born in Bethlehem of Judea during His lifetime. Here are the legendary words of the Roman captain:

There has appeared in this our day, a man of great virtue, named Jesus Christ, who is yet living amongst us, and with the Gentiles is accepted as a prophet of truth. But his own disciples call him the Son of God. He teaches the dead and cureth all manner of diseases. A man of stature somewhat tall and comely, with a very reverent countenance, such as the beholder may best love and fear. His hair is of the color of a flax, full lips, and plain down to his ears, but from his ears downward somewhat curled, and more gray of color, waving about his shoulders. In the midst of his head goeth a seam or partition of hair, after the manner of the Nazarenes; his forehead very smooth and plain; his face, nose and mouth so framed as nothing can be reprehended; his beard somewhat thick, agreeable to the hair of his head for color, not of any great length, but forked in the middle, of an innocent and mature look; his eyes gray, clear and quick.

In reviewing him is terrible in admonishing courteous and fair spoken, pleasant in speech, amidst gravity. It cannot be remembered that any have seen him laugh, but many have seen him weep.

In proportion of body, well shaped and straight; his hands and arms most courteous, his feet, speaking very temperate, modest and wise; a man of singular virtue, surpassing the children of men.

As to the Bible, there are those who hold to Christianity—at least in theory—but profess scant faith in the Book of Books. This seems foolish, if it is admitted that Christianity is the true religion and that Christ Jesus is its central fact. For the Bible is the book that contains His life and teachings. The noble Bible pictured here is the one on which George Washington and Warren G. Harding took the oath of office. Did they not honor themselves by taking oath on the Book of Books?

To reject the Bible and to be ignorant of its contents is to be deprived of the greatest source of inspiration and moral strength in all the world. There may be other inspirations

books, but the Bible is the greatest book of religion this world has ever seen.

One grieves to see the rising generation so ignorant of the Bible. For, its religion aside, no young American can afford to be ignorant of it. To be ignorant of the Bible is to be unable to understand much of the best in English literature. The student of today can have no understanding of the majesty of the English tongue without knowledge of the Bible. Ignorant of it, he is unable to appreciate much of the best in the art and music of the world.

While it is doubtless true that Young America is growing up in woeful ignorance of the Bible, the rest of the world is reading the Book of Books as never before. The printing presses cannot keep up



Illustration Photo

with the demand. An Italian paid \$250,000 recently for a famous Bible in order to restore it to his country. A New Yorker the other day paid more than \$50,000 for a copy of the "Mazzini" Gutenberg Bible. One cent a copy is the price of an edition that, being printed by the millions by the American Bible society.

In eight years more than 240,000,000 Bibles have been sold. The Bible has been translated into 170 languages; there are possibly 1,000 in the world. Bible salesmen are called "colporteurs" (pronounced "kol-por-tay") because they carry their Bibles with them, often on their backs. They are the best salesmen in the world because they are enthusiasts and ask only a fair price. Few of them are paid as much as \$100 a month and many of them could earn more at something else. One Chicago colporteur sold Bibles in nine languages, all of which he read and spoke, for \$70 a month. The American Bible society has 200 colporteurs and nearly 700 part-time colporteurs in various parts of the United States. It has sold more than 150,000 Bibles in 175 languages.

Christians mean to us the anniversary of the birth of the Christ Child. The beautiful story of His coming makes Christmas the most sacred of all days in the year. It is a season of common sympathy and good will to all men, of love, charity and the other best impulses of the human heart.

A CAROL OF THE STAR

By MARGARET WIDEMER

White Star, shining all across the sky, Do the shepherds follow still as you pass by?

"Yes, the simple shepherds go still where you guide."

Thou hast a simple heart, thou, too, shalt walk beside!"

White Star, gleaming over lands afar, Do the Wise Men ride still where your shadows are?

"Yes, the Wise Men travel where my shadow is, for I am their guide."

Thou mayest bring thy gold as they, if thou, too, wouldst be wise!"

White Star, lighting all the clouds on high, Do the angels sing yet, spread across the sky?

"Yes, the angels hover, singing as of old— Lift thy heart away from earth and touch their wings of gold!"

White Star, guiding down a singing wind, Is there still a Stable that poor men may find?

"Yes, the stable waiteth, low and wide— Stoop, thine head in humbleness and find its myrror-laid floor!"

White Star, standing yonder overhead, Is the Christ-child lying still beneath His shed?

"Yes, the Christ-child waits His own— Whoso loves as Jesus loved hath found the Holy Child!"

—The Delinquent.

MAKING GOOD IN A SMALL TOWN

Real Stories About Real Girls

By MRS. HARLAND H. ALLEN

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THE GIRL WHO LIKES CHILDREN

ABOUT the only stock-in-trade a girl needs for the job of "mothering," is a sunny disposition and a natural love of children.

Whether it is conducting a kindergarten, a playground, a day nursery for babies, or a story hour for older children, the work is little more than fascinating play—for the girl who likes children. One girl, who does, says she has made a comfortable sum, simply on the side, by being "story lady" to groups of children on Saturday afternoons.

"You see, I teach school during the week," she explained to me. "So my Saturdays are free, and I can easily spare the afternoon for the story hour. 'My children' means 'the Sunday School' rooms at the church, but any girl who wants to be 'story lady' could just as well have the children come to her home; or she might be able to have them meet in a room at the public library."

For the problem of the small-town girl who likes children, and who is looking only for part-time work, or for a "side-line" to her regular job, the story hour is an excellent solution. She needs no monetary capital, but she should have the ability to speak and read distinctly and with a sympathetic inflection. The sessions should be about fifty minutes. The story lady should either tell the stories outright, or should read only ones with which she is sufficiently familiar that she is not "chained to the book."

For the girl or woman who wants, rather, a full-time job at "mothering," one possibility is the day nursery. She will find her customers among working mothers who have been leaving their smaller children under the care of others, really too young to assume the responsibility of taking charge of old women untrained to the work. She should fit up a room or two in her home where these mothers can leave their children for the day.

Or a girl might run a home for orphans, in the capacity of a kind of professional mother. In one instance where this was done, the State Board of Guardians gave its co-operation, paying the woman in charge a stated sum for each child.

Taking children into one's home in the summer time, when parents want to go for a trip together, should prove paying. During such times, through which children may take a series of hikes under the supervision of a capable person who has a love of nature and a knowledge of science, are desirable. Planning children's parties is remunerative work.

Then, there are the home playground and the home kindergarten. Both of these, however, require a great deal of equipment and are not to be recommended unless the girl is very sure that she will continue in the work for some time.

RAG DOLLS ARE "ALL THE RAGE"

AND NOW comes a good word for the much-maligned rag doll. It has become fashionable. Here lies an opportunity for the home-town girl who has often made black "rags" out of old stockings for neighborhood children.

Up-to-date mothers no longer urge their children to give up the soft and huggable rag doll to which they so stubbornly cling, and to adopt, instead, a painted-face china baby. Says one bright girl who has been making "extra money" with rag dolls: "The rag doll of today is too pretty, or funny, or clever, for either mother or children to resist. Since these dolls cannot be broken, their acceptance as a childhood institution not only saves many a heartache which might have come with the breaking of a beloved china baby, but the price of new dolls is as well."

The "rag babies" this girl makes are altogether "different" and charming. She uses every scrap of one pair of stockings for each doll, and she insists that, for commercial purposes, clean, new stockings should be used. The would-be rag doll maker, if she is sure she will use quantities of the socks, should buy them whole. She sews up a body out of a sock and stuffs it with cotton. The heel of the stocking forms the face; cotton is inserted at the back of the head, and the hole afterwards drawn together, with a cap covering it.

The sweater, made of another sock, is then slipped on, rolled up around the bottom. The heel attached to this second sock goes right over that of the first one, forming the face. For the cap, the doll-maker uses a bit of material left from the second sock, letting the narrow finish at the top form the bottom of the cap.

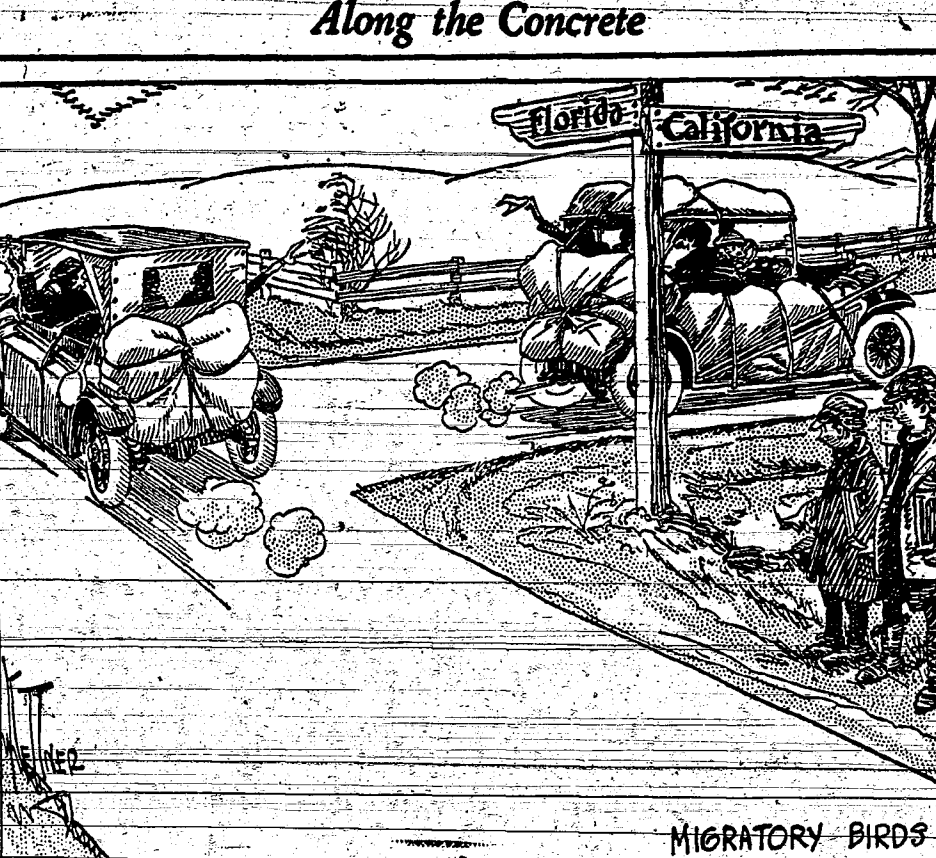
At first, it will take her about three-quarters of an hour to make a doll. She will probably want to charge from about seventy-five cents to a dollar and a half each one. In the beginning, she may sell the dolls to a department store, or leave them to be displayed in the windows and sold on commission. After she gets a start, however, she will be able to sell the "doll babies" right from her own home.

A question which confronts many rag-doll makers is whether they should dry-feed or stop the brood sow. The tendency has been to get away from milk, as it is sections where skim milk is available, slopping is adhered to with very satisfactory results.

As a rule, June grass makes fine sheep pasture for about a month, but as dry weather comes on it becomes less palatable and nutritious. It is weak and watery early in the season, and tough and unpalatable after hot weather sets in.

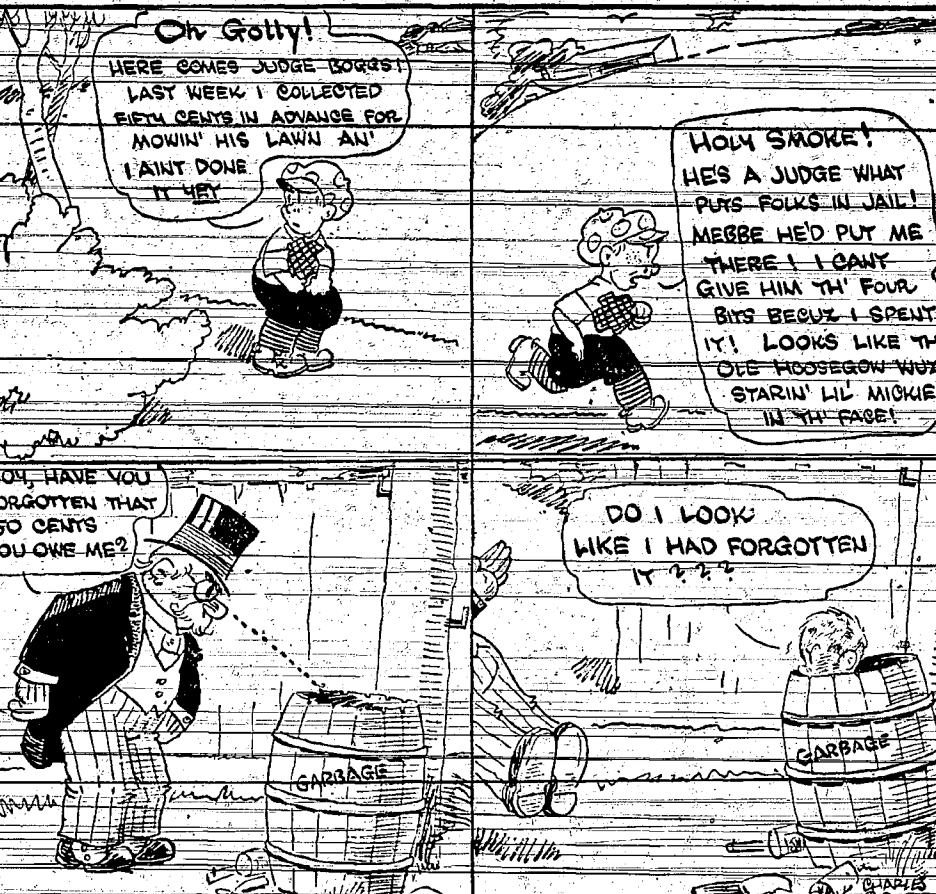
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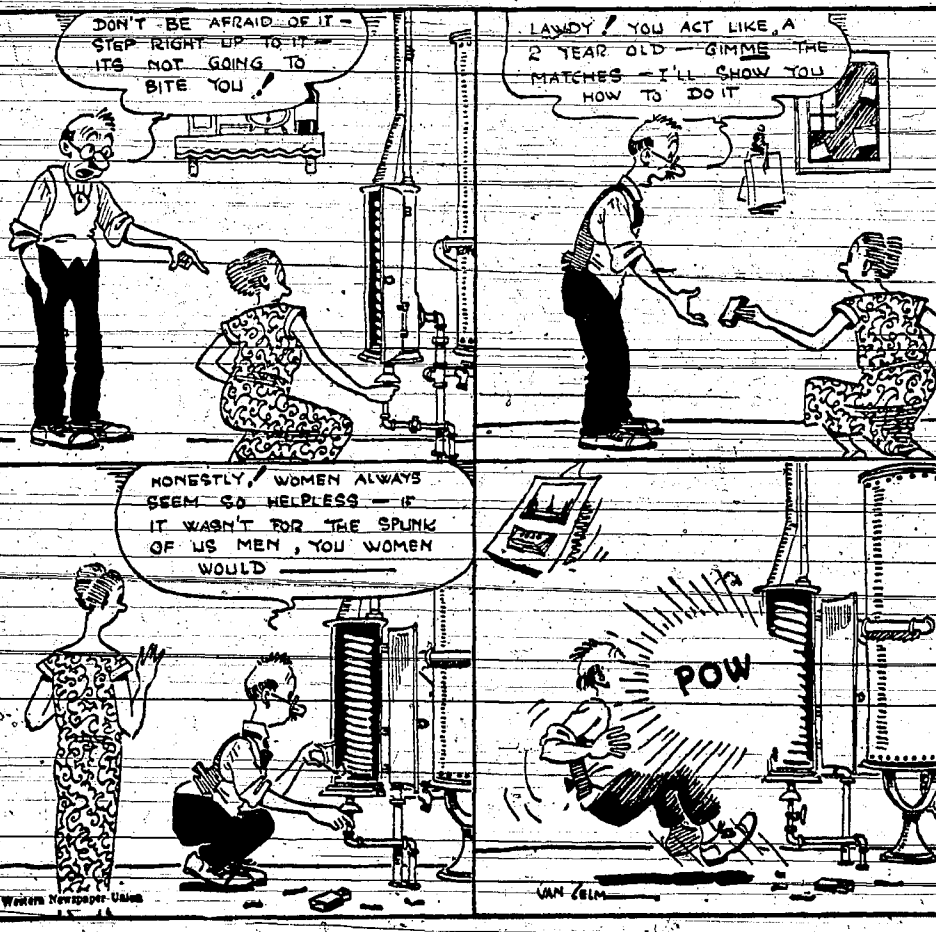
MIGRATORY BIRDS

A Voice From the Garbage Barrel



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So Felix Kept Quiet After That



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No Matter What Gift, Kindly Thought Counts

SHE had gone abroad and coming back, was bringing with her Christmas presents for her friends. She had been terrified by the different customs officers and had repacked so that her little treasures might be taken back to those she had thought would like them so much. She had bought really nice things, too, paid far more than she might have paid for them at home. But they

Christmas Sleighing in Days of Long Ago

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that now the children could enjoy these sleigh-rides.

And yet—and yet—why not? They talked it over with each other and then with the neighbors. Then it was decided upon.

And the grown-ups, too, had a sleigh ride during the Christmas holidays just as they had when they were young. And there were games. Why put aside a sleigh-ride party when you can't spirit is the same? —Mary (Graham Bonner, © 1924, Western Newspaper Union.)

HOLLY AND MISTLETOE

(© 1924, Western Newspaper Union.) Sing! Oh, sing of the Christmas holly, Bounteous cheer and all that's jolly; Sing of the holly and the falling snow. And sing! Oh, sing of the mistletoe! —P. H. Sweet.

HARK! TO THE BELLS!

(© 1924, Western Newspaper Union.) Hark to the joyous Christmas bells, Echoing the earth; Hark to its own story-tells, Of Christ the Saviour's birth. —F. H. Sweet.

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HOW TO ADVERTISE

Why do you formally retire from the stage every summer and return to it every fall? That makes two press items, old fellow. The chap who merely doesn't get any.

LUCKY.

How did you come out with your law suit? I won it. Get damages? Sure! I got almost enough to pay my lawyer.

OMITTED THE PRETTY ONES.

He—Our hostess was really the most beautiful woman of all present. She (who was not invited)—I dare say. She took good care to provide for that when she sent out her invitations. Be sure you're wrong; then back up.



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STUDEBAKER SECOND IN PRODUCTION.

South Bend, Ind., Dec. 10.—Studebaker's October Sales exceeded in value those of any other automobile manufacturer in the world except the Ford Motor Company.

The corporation also broke all its own October sales records, beating October 1923 by 68 per cent and October 1922 by 110 per cent.

Moreover, while exact figures are not yet available, it is known that the November sales are far ahead of those of any other November in the corporation's history.

The reason for these exceptional records, point out Studebaker folks, is the quality and value built into the new cars at the prices at which they are sold.

The quality of materials and workmanship, they add, is made possible by two outstanding features of the corporation's manufacturing.

The \$60,000,000 Studebaker plants, manufacturing these cars complete in five duplex and ten closed-body models, on three separate chassis, eliminate middlemen's profits and

thereby lower costs.

Through Studebaker's large volume of production, the overhead cost per car is reduced to the minimum because it is spread over so many thousands of cars.

This permits the use of higher quality of materials and workmanship at prices that would be impossible if the cars were built in smaller quantities.

L. N. L. ELECTS OFFICERS.
Camp Wagner No. 10, L. N. L. held their annual election of officers Wednesday evening of last week. The officers and by whom they will be filled are:

President—Mrs. Margaret Mitchell.
Vice president—Mrs. Emma Lovely and Mrs. Bessie Moshier.
Secretary—Mrs. Hazel Bennett.
Treasurer—Mrs. Altha Heric.
Marshal—Mrs. Lura Collins.
Asst. Marshal—Mrs. Anna Chalker.
Chaplain—Mrs. Hattie Sherman.
Sentinel—Mrs. Elsie LaMotte.
Picket—Mrs. Marie Bucholz.



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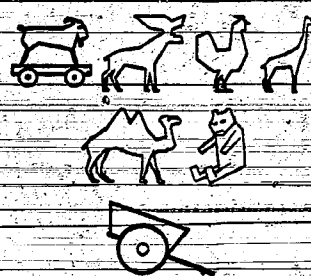
PRACTICAL GIFTS

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Let Santa Claus Bring a Real Present!

THERE are a few homes that really can call themselves complete. Perhaps there is some little nook or corner that would be made more inviting and eye pleasing, it contained one or more of the special pieces we offer in this event. As a holiday gift we know of nothing that will bring greater appreciation than any of the pieces we offer.

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A complete picture making, picture keeping outfit, including number 2 Brownie Camera, two rolls of Kodak film, Kodak portrait attachment, 50 leaf Eastman Album, Kodak photo Paste, one year's subscription of Kodakery.

It's a barrel of fun in a box. Any youngster will get good pictures from the minute he starts shooting on Christmas morning. Price \$5.00. Step in and see it.

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RUGS
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CAMP DISHES

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"The Home of Dependable Furniture"

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Advertisements will be accepted under this heading at the rate of 5 cents per line. No ad. taken for less than 25 cts. There are about six words to the line.
SEND MONEY WITH ORDER

HOUSE FOR RENT—GOOD LOCATION. Inquire at residence of E. G. Clark, Cedar Street.

LOST—GERMAN POLICE DOG, Dec. 10th. Anyone knowing its whereabouts please report to Sidney Graham.

FOR SALE—CUTTER FOR SALE cheap. Also one, org. Inquire of Albert Moon, Beaver Creek town ship.

ROOMS TO RENT—INQUIRE AT Avalanche office. Mrs. Martha A. McMaster.

LOST—MONDAY, DECEMBER 8th, between School house and Postoffice, or Postoffice and Ernest Borcher's residence part of a fountain pen belonging to Mattilda Stephan with the initials M. H. S. Finder please leave at Avalanche office and receive reward.

LOST LADY'S DIAMOND RING, 1/4 carat, Tuesday, Dec. 2, between Shoppington Inn and my home on Cedar street, formerly the Edward King house. Liberal reward for its return. Mrs. Walter Roe, at the Shoppington coffee room.

HOUSE FOR RENT—INQUIRE AT Avalanche Office. Phone 1112.

WANTED BARN FERTILIZER FOR Golf Course. See A. M. Lewis, if

FOR SALE—80 ACRE FARM, 3 1/2 miles from West Branch, 70 acres under cultivation. Good fences and buildings. Inquire of Mrs. W. J. McNeven.

FOR SALE—MY HOUSE, LOT AND Garage, at a low price. Call at my store. Frank Dreese.

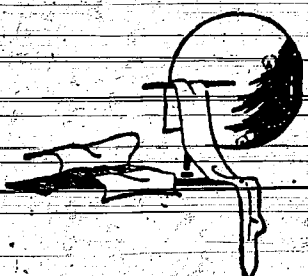
HIGHEST MARKET PRICE GIVEN for Furs, in trade or cash. Frank Dreese.

STRAYED TO MY PLACE IN Grayling, white mare, about 850 lbs. Owner may have same by applying to me and paying for all costs. Ben Yoder, Phone 432.

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Ladies' Silk neck Scarfs, \$1.98 to \$3. The very newest Sport Stripe Neck Scarfs, French Flannel, \$3.

Gloves and Mitts



Ladies' Gloves, washable Suede, from 60c to \$2.25. Kid Gloves from \$2.50 to \$5. Wool Gloves from \$1 to \$2.65. Girls and Boy's Mitts and Gloves, from 50c to \$1.

SWEATERS

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Children's 3 to 5 piece Sweater Sets, priced—\$2.85 to \$7.00.

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Ladies' Chemise and Step-in, Silk Batiste, Holly boxed, \$2.75 per set.

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Dolls.
Stoves.
Laundry Sets.
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Dishes from 35c to \$4.50 per set.
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Books.
Games.

FOR BOYS

Trains.
Autos.
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Over and Under.
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Wagons, Etc.
Books and Games.

OUR LINE OF CHRISTMAS CARDS IS LARGE AND COMPLETE.

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Ladies' Under-Arm Bags, from \$2.00 to \$7.50. Vanity Bags, \$1.50 to \$6.00. Genuine Leather Purse, \$1.50 to \$6.00.

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Music Rolls, Glove and Handkerchief cases, Auto Rolls, Brief Cases, Snap-Shot Books, Playing Cards in Case, Bridge Sets, Manicure rolls.

Men's, Women's and Children's Moccasins.

IVORY GOODS

Clocks, Trays, Mirrors, Brushes, Powder Boxes, Hair Receivers, Manicure Sets, Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, Shaving Sets, Abalone Pearl Toilet Articles.

Vases, Candle Sticks, Fruit Bows, Jardineres and Book Ends in Florentine Art Pottery.

English Rockingham Imported Tea Pots.

Hand Painted China.

Cut Glass, Silverware 1847, Urex and Solid.

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Everything pertaining to a first class Jewelry Store.

Ladies' Watches in white gold, from \$13.50 up.

Gents' Watches—Elgin, Waltham, South Bend, Hamilton and Illinois, \$15 to \$60.

Boy's Watches \$1.50 to \$5.00.

Exceptionally Fine Pearl Necklaces, priced beyond comparison. Beads 24 inch to 60 inch, at all prices.

Stone set bracelets, 35c, \$1.00, and \$1.00.

CHRISTMAS TREE ORNAMENTS

.....Candles—Decorative and Christmas.....

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Stationery suitable for young and old, ladies and gentlemen, priced from 25c to \$2.00 a box.

PENS AND PENCILS

Pens and Pencils such as Edisons, Ever-sharps, Dunns, Conklins, and Bankers, from 50c to \$7.00.

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Handkerchiefs for Milady, boxed, 50c to \$2. Child's Boxed-Handkerchiefs, 25c to 75c.

Ladies' Coats and Dresses



Christmas Sale

COATS AND DRESSES

1-4 Off

on all garments in our stock.

Xmas Hat Sale!

1-4 Off

on all Velvet, Velvet and Satin and Felt Hats.

The Gift Shop

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"Seeing is Believing"—Let's Look!—You can buy here for less—It's worth looking into. Find out.

Landsberg.

CHRISTMAS SALE, 1,000 PAIRS OF FELT SLIPPERS



We are featuring these Slippers in all colors at 79c. Made of good grade warm wool felt in a wide variety of wanted colors and combinations, soft padded leather soles and heels. Sizes 3 to 8.

at 79c

Men's Felt Slippers 95c and up.
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LANDSBERG'S

FOURTH ANNUAL XMAS SALE

BETTER THAN EVER, STARTS

Friday Dec. 12th.

CONTINUES UNTIL CHRISTMAS

A sale at this particular time is most opportune. It not only means savings in every sense, substantial on seasonal and needed merchandise but is an incentive for Christmas Shopping. Many are the fine values offered in this store during our Xmas Sale, reading down through this page will give you some idea of the wide scope of this event. Hundreds of timely offerings that we could not give space in this ad, will be found in this store of appropriate gifts at prices that will surely prove an inducement for shopping in this store.



Overcoat Sale

You pocket a big saving at this reduced price—
\$14.95—\$19.75—\$24.95

and every coat is one of this season style hits. New models! New Fabrics! New colors! You could pick blindfolded and get a coat you would be proud to wear—Men's Suits, all the style is tailored in Clothcraft Suits. We say the values are "decidedly interesting" because these are clothes which offer a maximum of satisfaction.

Quality which is worth and which usually commands a greater price.

Make Your CHRISTMAS MERRY

VALUES:

\$20.00 for \$13.95
\$25.00 for \$18.95
\$30.00 for \$23.75
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Phoenix Hosiery



Dept.

All of our gift hosiery is arranged in handsome gift boxes adding to their desirability as a gift selection—

Women's all Silk fashioned, all colors, \$1.25 Value 89c a pair.
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In this assortment is silk and wool mixtures in all fancy shades.

SILK HOSE

Men's Hosiery, Silk, Wool, and Silk and Wool mixtures in fancy boxes—

59c, 75c, 95c

Extra Special LOT OF Mama Dolls

\$1.19

MEN'S

WOOL SOX

19c a pair

Men's Bib Overalls, Blue Denim Jacket to match, all sizes, 38 to 50.

95c a garment

A Real Spectat

INDIAN BLANKETS

66 x 80 Fancy Patterns

\$5.00 Value

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Boy's and Girl's Fleece Lined Union Suits, all Sizes.

Values to \$1.50,

69c a Suit

Cannot be duplicated less than \$2.00

HERE'S YOUR OPPORTUNITY FOR CHRISTMAS, BUY WITH CONFIDENCE!

Handkerchiefs



Christmas would not be Christmas without giving a few Handkerchiefs and it will not pay to bother making them when you can buy such pretty ones at the following prices.—

Ladies Fancy white Handkerchiefs 4c each.

Fancy colors 9c each

Fancy Boxes 29c—39c—49c

Men's Handkerchiefs, White 4c each

Fancy Boxes furnished with all Handkerchiefs

Handkerchiefs for men in fancy borders and initials, values, 35c to 50c for 23c each.

Men's Mufflers

Brushed Wool, Silk and Imported Scotch Plaids 95c and up, these scarfs will sure be a hearty welcome as a gift, and the price is in the reach of all.

Men's Blanket Robes



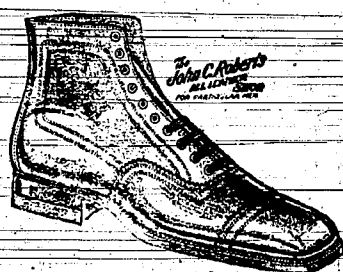
Made of Heavy Quality Blanket Cloth in border designs—

\$7.95

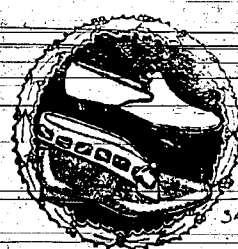
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SHOE DEPARTMENT

Men's, Women's and Children's Shoes



Christmas Suggestions



Special Prices! A saving of from 20 to 30 per cent on everything, buy them a Useful Gift. A pair of Slippers or Shoes.

This Includes all Hi-Cuts.

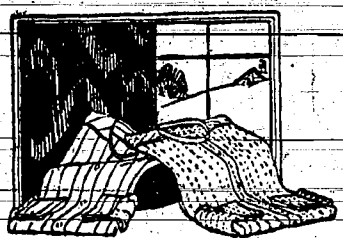
Gifts For Men!

IN XMAS BOXES

Shirts, Men's English Broadcloth, collar attached or neckband. In White, Blue or Pongee at \$1.95.

Neckties also, made from choicest of Knit Silks in wide assortment of rich colorings in Xmas Box.

Value to \$1.00, 49c.



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Certainly there is style to Gloves, and the ones we show you as a gift for Father, Brother or friend.

BELTS SPECIAL 21c.

PAJAMAS IN PONGEE OR FLANNELS \$1.95

Hand Bags, Suit Cases, Leather and Leather lined. Black or Brown \$7.95. Trunks all sizes

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GRAYLING, MICHIGAN

Dollars Well Spent are Dollars Saved.

STORE OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

Flannel Shirts

1 lot Khaki Coat Style Shirts Values to \$2.00

\$1.39

Brown and Assorted, Cherry Valley, flannels

\$1.79

Checked Shirts in all colors, values to \$5.50 all at our price

\$3.35

SHEEPSKIN LINED COATS

Four pockets Sheepskin lined coats with heavy Mole-skin shell. With beaverized lambskin collar—

\$8.95

SWEATERS

For Men, Women and Children

All kinds, pull overs and coat styles, Medium and heavy weights

1 lot all colors, fancy pull overs

\$2.29

Values to \$5.50

\$3.95

Values to \$7.00

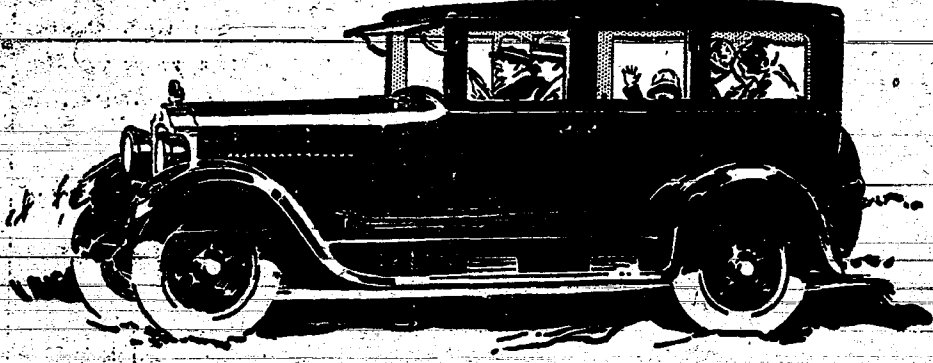
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Men's and Boys Sweaters all sizes,

98c and up.

The New STUDEBAKER

Special Six Sedan—\$2150



THERE is no finer five-passenger closed car than the Studebaker Special Six Sedan. It's a brand new car—not only in body lines, beauty and mechanical excellence, but it also represents entirely new standards by which closed cars will now be judged. Don't buy in the dark. In fairness to yourself, see the Special Six Sedan before you decide.

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113-in. W. B. 50 H.P.

5-Pass. Duplex-Phantom	\$1145
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5-Pass. Country Club Coupe	1395
5-Pass. Coupe	1495
5-Pass. Sedan	1595
5-Pass. Berlin	1650
4-wheel brakes, 4 disc wheels	1650
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SPECIAL SIX

120-in. W. B. 65 H.P.

5-Pass. Duplex-Phantom	\$1495
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5-Pass. Victoria	2050
5-Pass. Sedan	2150
5-Pass. Berlin	2225
4-wheel brakes, 4 disc wheels	2225
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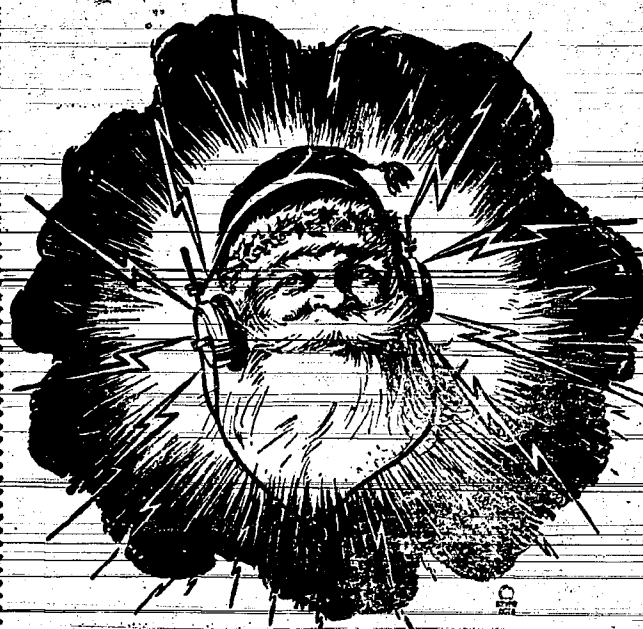
BIG SIX

127-in. W. B. 75 H.P.

5-Pass. Duplex-Phantom	\$1625
5-Pass. Coupe	2650
5-Pass. Sedan	2785
5-Pass. Berlin	2860
4-wheel brakes, 4 disc wheels	2860
4-wheel brakes, 4 disc wheels	2860

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FARM BUREAU NOTES R. D. BAILEY County Agricultural Agent

(Continued from last week.)

Rural Denmark and Its Schools.

Quietly and steadily the work of agricultural improvement has gone on.

Some of the choicest spirits of the land have given their time and money in the great cause. In places where only the heather held sway only two or three years ago there are splendid green forests and fertile meadows.

These men have done their work well. They have re-made the soil, and have at the same time taught their fellow men that the land is holy and must be treated as such. The truth has gradually taken root that the fundamental wealth of the nation must come from the soil, and that to conserve this wealth and add to it is the sacred duty and privilege of every free-born man and woman. (Every nation has had to learn or will have to learn the same truth.)

When this work of soil improvement began Jutland was a land of barren heath, of moor and bog, of great stretches of sand, with here and there a fertile spot, but Jutland was not always that way. It used to be covered with great forests of fir and oak. Wars, the Black Death, and the greed of man in cutting too much timber made Jutland a desert. Man, eager for gain, hewed down the forests and neglected to replant them. The winds swept triumphantly across the land, the heather closed in upon the roots of the remaining trees and killed them. Then the last of the grass and corn plants had to retreat and the curse of barrenness was upon the land. (In the United States there are already vast areas where the soil has gulled too bad for agriculture, because complete removal of the timber has consumed the humus that formerly helped bind the soil together. Vast areas more will be wasted in the same way in the next generation.)

The Danes have reforested bleak, sour sandy land where our government has given up trying on such lands. They made the red spruce grow by planting it with mountain fir as a nurse tree.

The Danish people not only drained the low lands and irrigated waste upland, but much of their soil needed to be limed, so they did it. It needed to be fertilized, so they did it. (They believed in soil, a thing that we Yankees have yet to learn.)

Barnyard fertilizers are carefully saved in large cemented reservoirs, and liquid manures are kept in underground cisterns. The latter is carefully sprinkled in due season, over the meadows and plowlands, so nothing is lost. (Everywhere here we see men owning poor farms that are growing poorer, wasting fertility as a drunken sailor wastes his money.)

Marl in Denmark, is eagerly hunted for, and steadily used. It is lime or "sweetened" soil. The Heather Society has found over 1700 marl deposits, and the government lends it aid by transporting it at very low cost over state owned railways.

Lessons for American Agriculture.

The Danish motto is to use all the land, abuse none of it, and treat it well because it is holy.

Our forefathers who settled along the Atlantic coast may have been religious men in their own way, but they certainly did not apply the teachings of the Pentateuch in the

way in which Moses had intended they should be applied. For in New England and the South alike they drew the virgin fertility from the land without putting anything back. It is high time to conserve what we have left. We have exploited the riches of Nature in the past; but there is a distinct sentiment that this must end, and a distinct movement is already under way. North, south, east, and west, to usher in this period of real husbandry farming.

This new class of farming will require masterful men with the desire for real conquest in them. Scientific farming is not a simple business. It needs well-prepared men and women.

With the ordinary chance farming and blind resignation and staring that this poor farming and starving farm life is the best that can be done, which is too commonly the feeling, little headway can be made.

The American nation can well profit by the lesson that little Denmark teaches. It will be a great thing to meet these needs now while we yet are a young people, and the virgin wealth of the soil is in great measure, unexploited. In the United States, too, properly applied education will play master part in this greatest of human enterprises.

Visit to a Small Danish Farm.

Arriving at the farm, the owner pointed with pride to the two framed riculture at one of the schools for wife had taken short courses in agriculture at one of the schools for small holders.

The farm consisted of 7 acres of rather light soil, but in a high state of cultivation. As the soil must all be used, the road and land were lined with cherry trees instead of shade trees.

The living house, barn and stable were all built together under one roof, according to ancient custom, but all were so beautifully clean that there was no nuisance whatever. Here lived the owner and family of five, including the hired girl, and a cow separated from the house by a low brick wall. All buildings of brick with thatched roof. Cows kept in barn nine months of the year. These they lived in comfort in their painted stalls and within freshly whitewashed walls. Floor of cement with drain connecting with an under-ground cistern, where was stored the liquid manure, which it should be pointed out, the clover manure of the plow land. (A ton of liquid manure contains more fertility than a ton of solid manure. Why waste it?) A cemented reservoir contained all the solid manure. The owner said: "It is care of these small things that makes our success possible. Were we Danes to pitch our manure in heaps out of doors as you Americans do, permitting the wind to nurse to run off, then scattering the straw over the fields, we should go bankrupt."

Star boarders are unknown in barns of Danish small holders. A daily record of each cow is kept in a frame on the barn wall. (I will furnish milk record sheets free to any farmer who will call at my office for them.)

The pigs are kept in an interesting place (imagine that). Here thirteen shoats were getting ready for market. The owner boasted of having his hogs ready for the co-operative slaughter house when they were no older than three (3) months. They would then weigh from 130 to 140 lbs, dressed.

The pigs were fattened on sugar beets ground up with corn and oat meal to which is added a little finely chopped clover hay.

The farm carried as side lines apple growing, egg production, and bee-keeping. Because the land was so limited dwarf apple trees were used. The orchard was yielding at the rate of \$344.60 per acre.

It was interesting to see the bees make or because it was scientifically handled.

In front of the house were beautiful flower beds in the midst of which stood bee hives. Immediately back of the house was an interesting kitchen garden.

The fields received every ounce of manure produced on the place; and in addition, a small amount of acid phosphate.

The owner was born of poor parents—agricultural day laborers. He became such a laborer himself. Saved a small sum of money. Took advantage of the agricultural instruction in the rural schools, and learned how to do real farming.

Bought the farm through government loan. Land, building and stock cost him \$2049.70.

His balance sheet for the year showed that besides a good living for the family, the farm had yielded him \$558.51 above expenses.

Our great country life worker L. H. Bailey, says in one of his books that "the country man must be able to interest himself spiritually in his own native environment as his chief resource of power and happiness."

This is just what Danish country folk do. Their first love is for the soil. They understand in good measure the meaning of the phrase that the soil is holy.

They love their farming. It is real life to them, and they do it well. This Danish love of nature takes form in flowers and shrubbery in small, neat gardens, with graveled walks and vine-clad arbors.

The country home is made as attractive as the owners means will permit.

Many of the household industries, which with us have long ago passed away, are still doing much to hold the family group together, and are still giving the head, heart, and hand education that we have begun to reintroduce through such school subjects as manual training and household economics.

All of the every-day life of the Danish country people is lived around or at the common community center; that is, their everyday activities, their thoughts, their life plans, are all centered in the work of two great institutions—the school and the church.

At the crossroads, or on the edge of the quaint old hamlet, lies the school master's house, a rambling, flower, neatly kept within and without. Flower, graveled walks, and rustic seats fill the front yard. To the rear are the vegetable garden and an experimental plot, in which the school master and the children work from day to day, side by side, while the earth preaches sermons for their ears, making them love to live close to nature's heart.

When there is the school house, in the open grounds, just beyond. Here, too, the love of nature is shown, both in planting and in growing

things.

The school master dwells in the midst of his people twelve months of the year. In this way he learns to know them, becoming a more and more useful community force, able and competent to give assistance in practical farm life affairs.

Just beyond the school house lies the fine old parsonage, and the century-old stone church which is never lacking in a Danish community.

Just as the school master lives in the midst of his people, honored and revered, so the pastor dwells in the midst of his flock. There can be no question of dying country churches in a community where such a pastor labors. He is a scholarly man. He has studied the needs of the people.

Now he rightfully has taken his place as spiritual leader and advisor who, together with the school master gives the country community the high level of idealism necessary in order to keep pace with the progress made at the industrial centers.

The rural schools of Denmark emphasize to a remarkable degree the fundamental school subjects, and do their work in them with great thoroughness; but, at the same time, the root of the entire course of study to the soil in such a way that they are able to inculcate in the pupils love of soil filling as a life work.

The most important task performed by Danish educators has been to impart a remarkably large store of culture without giving the people a contempt for work with the hands.

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The Star Over the Barn

By CHRISTOPHER G. HAZARD

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I HAD been a strange Christmas Eve. The falling snow had changed to sleet and the sleet had turned to rain.

The disappointed children had hung their stockings by the chimney with fears that the reindeer and the sleigh of Santa Claus would not be able to bring him over the muddy roads. Their dreams were disturbed by visions of wreckage and bundles scattered about. At the church party there had been a Santa Claus, but when his mask slipped down and he put up his hand to fix it they knew that he was not the real one. There had been three wise men, following a star too, but their white whiskers and pointed sticks had frightened the girls who were the angels so that they could not sing. And now it seemed as though the real Christmas would be a failure, too.

It looked that way to others on that dreary evening. It seemed to two travelers who were making their way toward the farm house, that they could not keep their dusty worned huddle dry much longer and that the night was very dark indeed. They were very glad to pass the sleeping house and find a refuge in the old barn and a bed on the fragrant hay. Their long and weary journey was forgotten in the dreams that came to comfort them with pictured hopes, and they were all unconscious of the peace and brightness that had succeeded the storm.

In the house, however, unconsciousness had been suspended. Ears strained in vain for sleigh bells, but a gentle voice had fallen upon them with a happy Christmas greeting from Mrs. Rosebud (for so they called her) and she had called them to the joy of a beautiful Christmas morning. In the cold air there lay a light snow over all the bareness of the day before and it was all ready to sparkle back the merry glances of the coming sun. But first there gleamed in the pale blue sky and gathering dawn the light of

The Star Was Resting Just Over Their Barn.

the morning star, and as the children looked out of the window of their room they saw that the star was resting just over their barn.

Perhaps there never was a merrier Christmas morning than the three wise children enjoyed that day. It wasn't merely because the stockings had grown big and bumpy through the night. It wasn't only because they could even smell the Christmas tree through the crack in the parlor door. It wasn't the new hair ribbons, the Dutch apron, the small pair of scissors tied with blue ribbon and the small pair tied with red ribbon, the angel cake, the box of "Creole" candy, the new skates, the extra doll "Fancy." It wasn't all these or the play house, or the pencil sharpener, or even the writing case that made one of the ecstatic youngsters say, "Next Christmas, when old Saint comes down the chimney, I'm going to make him kneel down, then I'll whisper in his ear: 'You old Saint Fatale!'" And it wasn't every blessing of the day that made them thankful enough for pulling an orange out of her stocking, and of them was heard to say, "Santa, you're giving me too much fruit." But it was something sweeter, greater and more beautiful, something that was in the under thought of all their hearts and that was presently to be in their experience, for, as they ran down to the barn, carrying their new treasures along to play with them on the barn floor, they heard a movement and a

strange cry behind the barn door. And when they opened the door, there upon the hay were the travelers, the old man with the kindly look, the lovely one who seemed to be his daughter, and the unbundled baby, smiling so deeply and so sweetly. It was the baby that was the best of all. It was the baby that sat by the table in the high chair, with little gifts before him. It was the baby that made the feast so greatly good for them all, and caused them to give thanks for the star that, despite the storm and cloud, had led them to their barn. It was the baby that inspired the prayer of one of the children that Christmas night, when she said, "We know you sent your little baby Jesus for us to love. So, merry Christmas, God!"

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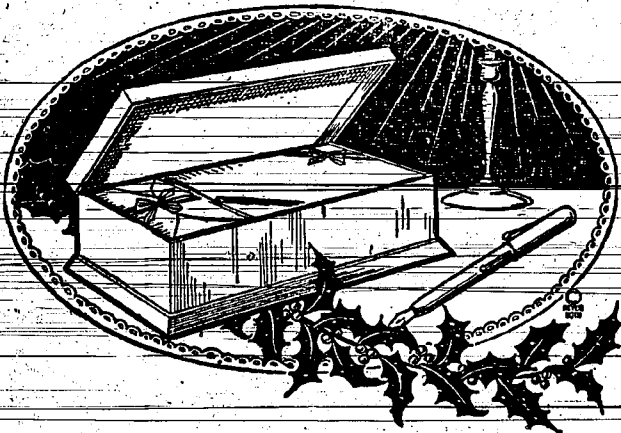
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LOCAL NEWS

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1924.

Buy your Red Cross seals from the school children.

Farm Bureau Notes will be found on supplement page.

See the school kiddies for Red Cross Christmas seals.

Miss Mae Lovell entertained Miss Clara Smith of Vanderbilt over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gohro and Mrs. Victor Smith spent Tuesday in Gaylord.

Strictly fresh eggs, unfertilized. Phone 1023. James McDonnell place your orders now.

Mail your Christmas packages just as soon as possible. Give the postal clerks a chance.

Dean Hall of Fife Lake who spent Monday visiting friends here left Tuesday for Cadillac.

Oscar Taylor left Wednesday for Detroit to spend a few days with his daughters Edna and Ruth.

Read the ads and Shop Early

Bay City "Y" team are coming to Grayling strong Saturday for the big game with the American Legion quintette. Admission 50 and 25 cents.

Mrs. Bernard Sorenson and children have come to Grayling from Detroit to remain for a time, owing to one of the children being ill with tuberculosis.

Burt Mitchell and family have moved from the Skingley house on Elm street and have rented the house vacated by Mrs. Harrison Cameron and family. Leonard Taylor who is employed by the Tetu garage has purchased the Skingley home.

Mrs. David Montour and daughters Bunny and Joan visited in Standish over Sunday. Mrs. Montour went to visit her brother Archie Collier, who recently returned from the sanitarium at Howell, where he had been receiving treatment for tuberculosis and who is very much improved.

The big treat of the season will be the next number on the Lyceum course, which is being given under the auspices of the Senior class. So far this season the numbers have been excellent, and Werahiko Rawel is sure to please you. He will be at the school auditorium next Tuesday evening, December 16. Don't miss this number by attending you will see and hear something high-class, and besides you will be helping the Senior class.

Mrs. Charles Wilbur has returned from Chicago, where she was called by the illness of a relative.

C. J. Hathaway, Optometrist, of Pontiac will be in Grayling Dec. 29 & 30, to look after his optical practice.

Emmanuel Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Johnson had the misfortune to break his left arm one day last week while practicing basket ball.

The 1924 Tax roll is now in the hands of the Township treasurer for those wishing to pay their taxes. Office open from 8:00 to 11:00 a. m., from 12:00 to 5:00 p. m. and 8:15 to 7:15 p. m. by appointment. C. O. McCullough, Township Treas.

Don't miss the basket ball game Saturday night, when Grayling American Legion team will play the fast Bay City "Y". It is sure to be full of thrills. A preliminary game to be played between two of the school teams will start at 8:00, the big game starting at 9:00.

Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Keyport, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Bates and Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Schumann enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. William Feldhaus at dinner last Sunday. The company remained for the afternoon and spent a real pleasant afternoon in this comfortable home, home with their most congenial host and hostess.

Another company of Girl scouts has been formed, making two companies in Grayling, numbering 42 members. The members have been divided so that the younger scouts make one company while the older girls make the other. They are busy now working for Christmas so as to make some folks whom they know happy.

"The Covered Wagon" that began a four night stand at Grayling Opera house, Tuesday night, is drawing wonderful crowds each night. Every seat is being filled and the production is tallying up to the great reputation that play enjoys. Manager Olson is to be complimented for the high class of plays he is giving his patrons.

Word has been received by Grayling relatives of the death of Letha Ketzbeck, age 22, and the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles O. Ketzbeck of Detroit, that occurred on December 4, the cause of death being leakage of the heart. The funeral was held Saturday. The Ketzbeck family were former residents of Grayling.

Several sales now in progress in Grayling are drawing many people from out of the city to come here to trade. This means that other places of business are sure to reap some benefit from the efforts of the larger advertisers. People coming to Grayling to trade are assured of wood goods and a square deal. These principles have built up business.

The ladies and gentlemen of the Bridge Club were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cogle and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gillett at dinner Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cogle. The dinner was most attractive in every detail and everyone present had a fine time. Mrs. C. R. Keyport and Robert Reagan held the high scores and Mrs. C. M. Morfit received the guest prize.

Michigan should be to the north what Florida is to the south in the way of a national playground said Dr. Caroline Bartlett Crane of Kalamazoo, recently in addressing a woman's organization. She urged the segregating of park districts and emphasized that the increasing importance of parks is due to the shortened hours of business and growing appreciation of outdoor sports.

At the regular meeting of Grayling Post American Legion 100, Reuben E. Goslow and John Foster were initiated into the mysteries of the legion. After the initiation work, the members enjoyed a concert over the radio through the courtesy of Frank Tetu. A delicious supper consisting of several good Danish dishes was served by Mrs. John Benson. There were 25 out to the meeting.

Sorenson Bros. store will be open evenings until Christmas. You will find here a fine lot of furniture, rugs, china and all kinds of tableware and cameras, toys and games of all kinds and many other articles highly suitable for Christmas presents. How about a fine vacuum sweeper? This could make a good present and one that will be useful all winter around.

For the convenience of the public the Grayling Greenhouses have placed a display of potted and cut flowers in the Hans Petersen grocery store. We are prepared to take care of your wants in the floral line. A young lady will be on hand to wait upon you. We invite everyone to step in and inspect the display. Place your orders now for Christmas and be sure you will have them when wanted. Sidney Graham, Mgr.

Mrs. Claude Gilson returned the forepart of last week from an extended visit with her parents in Sunfield. On Thanksgiving Day Mrs. Gilson's parents Mr. and Mrs. William J. Jasso Guy celebrated their golden wedding anniversary, and the various lodges gave a public reception in their honor which was a very elaborate affair. The entire community were invited and there was a large number present. Fifty years ago the couple were married in the little church of that place and they went to their farm home where they have lived all these years. Mr. Gilson was in Sunfield for the affair also.

One of the important features in the Shop Early, Mail Early campaign, which is being put on throughout the country by the Post Office Department, is the proper addressing and securely wrapping of Christmas packages. When you wrap your Christmas packages, wrap them securely, put your address in the upper left corner, so, if by any chance, it should go astray, it can be returned to you and not sent to the dead letter office. The good folks of our community last year helped to bring joy and happiness to hundreds of thousands of postmen and their families. Let's do our shopping early and mailing early again this year, so that we may again enable the postmen and the post office clerks to eat their Christmas dinners home with their families at the same time assure ourselves of having our Christmas presents delivered to our friends in order that they may be opened on Christmas morning.

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Eleven more shopping days before Christmas. Might just as well shop today as to wait, and besides stocks are complete now and much is being sold every day.

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Guy Richardson, who has been stationed at the Military reservation since early last spring, making diagrams and maps, taking altitudes and gathering other information for the state and federal military departments, left Wednesday for his home in Kalamazoo. He expects that he will be directed to return here again next spring.

Burke's Oil station closed Tuesday for the season, and Mr. Burke reports the amount of \$70.00 to be used towards the Christmas fund. This was derived from putting aside one cent from each gallon of gas sold for the past couple of months.

Mrs. N. P. Olson received word one day last week that her Buick Sedan, that was stolen in Detroit about a year ago had been located and was in Buffalo, N. Y.

George N. Olson accompanied by E. G. Clark left last night for that place to drive the car back, the latter expecting to visit old friends in that vicinity it being his boyhood home. At the time the automobile was stolen Mrs. Olson was visiting in Detroit and one evening with some relatives were driving about the city viewing places of interest, one of which was the General Motors building. They parked the machine close to the curb and went into the building, and when they returned the car was gone.

The police were immediately notified but no trace of the car was found, and it had been given up as gone for good when a message from a Detroit inspector notified them of its whereabouts.

READ THE AVALANCHE

Mrs. C. M. Morfit and children, Clarence, Edwin, Beverly and Richard left this afternoon for their new home in New Brunswick, N. J., near which city is Parlin, where Mr. Morfit is maintenance engineer for one of the numerous Du Pont plants. But three houses on Du Pont avenue are now occupied and this once thriving manufacturing district now looks gloomy indeed. The Morfits have been fine citizens in every way and each and every one will be sadly missed. They were just as reluctant to leave Grayling as the people here were to have them, but Mr. Morfit's services were needed in the east and it is a habit of large corporations to shift their executives about whenever they so desire. The Morfit family carry with them the best wishes of those that know them best. (Additional local news on last page)

NOTICE

There is an ordinance prohibiting the depositing of ashes, or rubbish of any kind in the streets, and the public have been cautioned again and again concerning this practice. Please take notice that hereafter anyone violating this law will be prosecuted. Charles Fehr, Street Commissioner.



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The Kitchen Cabinet

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Something to learn and something to forget. Hold fast the good and seek the better yet. Press on, and prove the pilgrim hope of youth. That creeds are milestones on the road to Truth.

—Henry Van Dyke.

FROM GRANDMOTHER'S BOOK

Is there anyone who does not enjoy a nicely made, well-seasoned 'and baked pumpkin pie?

Old-Fashioned Pumpkin Pie.—Take one and one-half cupsful of well-steamed and browned pumpkin which has been sifted to remove all stringy portions, two-thirds of a cupful of brown sugar or the same of white, with two table-

spoonsful of molasses, one teaspoonful of cinnamon, one-half teaspoonful of ginger, one teaspoonful of salt, a quarter of a teaspoonful of lemon extract, two slightly-beaten eggs and a pint of rich milk. Combine the ingredients and turn into rich pastry-lined plate and bake in a moderate oven until when a knife is thrust into the center it comes out clean. If desired for an especially festive occasion, sprinkle with nuts or grated cheese and top with roses of whipped cream.

Golden Chips.—Slice pumpkin into strips one-half inch thick, take an equal weight of sugar, adding one-half cupful of lemon juice for each two pounds of sugar. Place the pumpkin and sugar in the preserving kettle in alternate layers. Pour the lemon juice over the whole and let stand twenty-four hours. Add one cupful of water for each three pounds of sugar and an ounce each of ginger root and lemon peel for each pound of fruit. Cook until the slices are tender, pack in an earthen jar, boil down the syrup until thick and pour over the fruit boiling hot. Seal.

Squash makes a pie that is enjoyed by many, almost as well as pumpkin. Use the same recipe as for pumpkin. Cooked mashed carrots also make a most wholesome pie filling.

Stewed Squash, Baked.—Cut hard-boiled squash into small pieces, steam until tender. Mash and mix with butter and thick cream to season, add one beaten egg, salt and white pepper. Mix thoroughly and put into a well-buttered baking dish, cover with a thick layer of well-buttered crumbs and bake forty minutes in a slow oven.

A few peas cooked with finely sliced carrots will make a good vegetable dish when served with drawn-butter sauce or a white sauce.

In these hard months of December and January the forest lives its own life. It is not asleep, as the poet says. Sleep has entered into the forest, has made the deep silence its habitation; but the forest itself is awake, mysterious, omnipresent, a creature seen at last in its naked majesty.—Pina MacLeod.

COLD-WEATHER SOUPS

With a can of clams one may have a most nourishing chowder with the following ingredients:

Clam Chowder.—Take a three-inch-square bit of salt pork, cut it into half-inch dice and fry in the chowder kettle until crisp and brown; add three small onions, sliced; cook them in the hot fat until a light yellow, then add half a dozen medium-sized potatoes, sliced; cover with boiling water and cook until the vegetables are well done. Add a can of clams, liquor and all, with one quart of rich milk; bring to the boiling point; season well and serve with crackers.

Parasit Chowder.—Dice one-quarter pound of fat salt pork and place in a chowder kettle. Add one onion, thinly sliced and fried to a golden brown. Add two cupfuls of dried potatoes and two cupfuls of parsnips, also diced, both uncooked; two and one-half teaspoonfuls of salt; one teaspoonful of pepper; one-quarter teaspoonful of pepper; one teaspoonful of whole allspice, one-half cupful of vinegar, one-half cupful of sugar and six medium-sized beets that have been boiled ten minutes, then skinned and grated. Cook for two and one-half hours, adding more water, if necessary. Strain and serve hot with boiled potatoes.

Spareribs and Kraut.—Wrap a small-sized sparerib around a quart or more of good sauer kraut. Place in a hot oven for twenty minutes, then reduce the heat and bake for several hours or until the kraut is tender. Serve on a hot platter with the ribs rolled around the kraut.

Red Beet Soup.—Take three pounds of the skin of beef. Wipe the meat and cut the lean part into cubes. Place in a soup kettle together with three quarts of boiling water, three onions, sliced thin, one teaspoonful of salt, one-quarter teaspoonful of pepper, one teaspoonful of whole allspice, one-half cupful of vinegar, one-half cupful of sugar and six medium-sized beets that have been boiled ten minutes, then skinned and grated. Cook for two and one-half hours, adding more water, if necessary. Strain and serve hot with boiled potatoes.

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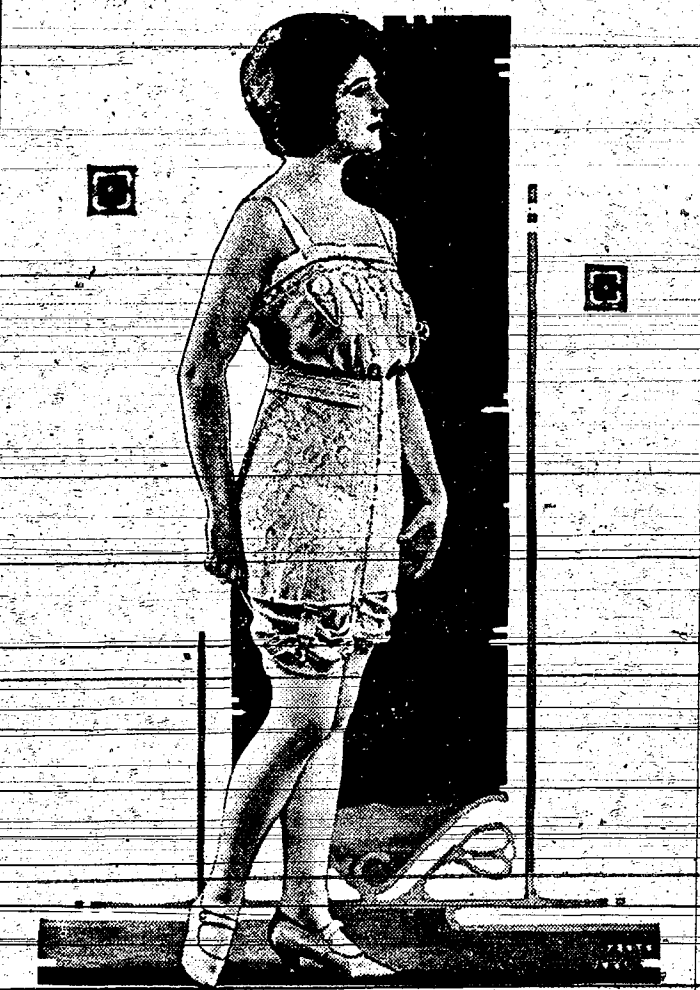
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ADROIT CORSETING REQUIRED; TUNIC BLOUSE IS TRIUMPH

IN THE matter of slenderness, Fashion is obdurate—she still likes (or pretends to like) almost curvesless, flat-chested figures, suggesting immature girlhood. They look all right in the fashion books, but if the gaudy ladies pictured there were to come to life and circulate among us, Fashion would change her mind. Meantime womanhood, more or less plump and



Shows Art of Corseting.

pretty, looks to the corseter to give her figure straight and boyish lines. Now, if the new corsets are low-top or tunic-blouse, made of satin, brocade or tulle. Wrap-around or string, they have long, or medium long, hip lines. Many of the new models have no lacing, the strong, firm, elastic materials are so put together that they give the figure shape. Boning grows less and less a factor in their composition while designs rely upon materials to sustain and restrain the figure without hampering the body or injuring it. A long, almost straight, without a seam, that runs through the slashes in the blouse and ties at the left side, and the model is

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But they were not; hoping, just as hard as ever four people hoped. In the morning they hardly dared go down the stairs but as they slowly went down the first few steps they caught sight of a trimmed tree below. Down they bounded, singing as lustily as they could.

"Christmas comes but once a year. Christmas comes but once a year!" There was the tree all trimmed and there, fastened on one of the branches was a note.

It was from Santa Claus and he had thanked them for helping him with the trimming. The reindeer thanked for the sugar and Santa particularly thanked him for the piece of pie. The children had provided these the night before.

And he was sorry, but on account of the storm he had not been able to bring so much with him as he wanted to make the load light for his reindeer over such terrific snow banks and snow drifts.

But he had brought them a "Joint Christmas"—a Christmas party for them all to enjoy.

And under the tree was a basket and in the basket was a dear little dog with a red ribbon around his neck. With a bound the dog was kissing each of them in turn and the children were shouting:

"Well, of all the Christmas days we've ever had this is the best of all!" And the little dog seemed to think it was a pretty nice day too!

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Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

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THE CHRISTMAS TREE

There were four children in the family and they lived far, far out in the country.

It was beautiful there, but it was hard to reach, particularly when there were great snow storms and when sometimes the snow was banked high all about.

They were getting a little bit worried that perhaps Santa Claus would not be able to make the trip—it even looked these days, close before Christmas, that it would storm still more.

The children went out into the woods, walking over the snow on the snow shoes, which Santa had given them before. Each year one child had been given a pair while the others had smaller presents for they all thought that was very fair to have their big gift given to them in turn. They all had a pair now.

So now they all could get over the snow to the big woods beyond and there they found such a nice little tree, and brought it back to the house.

"We will help Santa all we can," they said.

So they chopped up some boards and fastened the tree in between the boards and after shaking off all the snow they fixed the tree in the front window of the house.

Then they took out a box of some of the things which had been on the tree the year before and they wrote Santa this letter:

"We know, dear Santa, that even if you can get here through all this snow, for we are afraid the reindeer will find this one of the worst storms they've ever found—it will take a lot of time."

"So we're helping you all we can. You will see that the tree is waiting to be trimmed. But we have saved the trimmings from last year and they're in the box so you won't have to get way down into your bag for the trimmings you carry with you."

"You trim it so beautifully we're leaving it for you to do, if you have



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Karl—Well, what do you mean by the good old times?
Heinrich—Oh, about ten minutes ago.

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Mississippi Unused

The great Mississippi river, in proportion to its size and length, is used far less than the St. Lawrence, the Rhine or the Yangtze river of China. Only when this country begins to trade in a much larger way than now with South America and the Orient by way of the Panama canal will the Father of Waters really become one of the world's main inland waterways.

Brighter Schools

The educational committee of an English city has decided to buy bicycles for all schools, to make them brighter and more pleasant for the pupils.

JOSSELYN'S WIFE

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

CHAPTER IX—Continued

"So I thought this was my chance to pay a little attention to Mrs. Pepper. We were going to have her over to the house, Tom, you know, and we never did! And Lindsay was there, I thought he had gone to Washington, but he was there, and he had to make an early start for town this morning, so it all fitted in."

Thus Lillian, readily and innocently, Gibbs, apparently indifferent to the conversation, was squinting at his canvas, rubbing the wet paint with a tentative finger. The old man stood staring at the picture, too, with unseeing eyes. He was heart sick at finding himself, his years and his dignity, forced into a hideous role. He knew now that he was being deceived, if not in actual fact, in the underlying motive, so much more important than the fact, he knew what simplicity and ingenueness from Lillian meant. And standing there in the pleasant winter brightness of the studio, with the fire snapping gaily behind him, and his wife's soft hand on his arm, his heart burned with anger and shame.

Ellen had not spoken at all. She stood like a woman of wood beside the fire. Marle, the shriveled little tailor's wife, hobbling in, pined a query as to whether "Madame Gibbs" would have some coffee. Ellen gave her a dumb shake of the head for negative. She was afraid she was going to faint. She felt broken, dazed, struck to the heart. It was all a bad dream. Lillian so pleasantly talkative, Gibbs so smiling at his work, her father-in-law, gallantly struggling to regain his composure after the sudden revelation of feeling, and herself silent, sick, helpless. And that she had been to think that she could convict them! What was she to gain, even supposing the worst to be true, and herself successful in forcing them to confess it? And the painter, with his clever, bronzed face and his mop of silver hair, even been anything to her except a cruel and alien figure? Had she ever loved her black head against that rosy hanging linen smock, and felt the delicious strength of that big arm about her?

He was angry now, she said to herself, but it did not seem important. It was too late for anger of his to concern her.

Like a scene in a play, Tom's arrival. He came upstairs to say that he had just brought the car from Great Neck. He was full of the accident, concerned to know how Gibbs had managed the small car.

"Roads is filled with cars. Mrs. Josselyn. You didn't attempt to get out to Wheatley Hills last night? I never seen the roads so bad."

"Mr. Pepper managed to get through this morning," Lillian said. Her husband turned to the chauffeur with directions. Gibbs somewhat awkwardly sauntered over to stand beside his wife. In all her own distress she felt a pang of pity that Gibbs should be ashamed and embarrassed.

"It must have been a heavy snow, down there," he offered.

She raised heavy eyes. Her voice was lifeless.

"It was a stormy night. And—and I had to—toothache."

Lillian, joining them, was all sympathy. It was arranged that Ellen should go at once to her dentist, and

He was heart sick at finding himself, his years and his dignity, forced into a hideous role.

Josselyn, Senior, might finish his paper by the studio fire while the second sitting went on.

"And you must be tremendously surprised when you get the picture, on your birthday!" Lillian said playfully.

Thus began the farce they were still playing. They had all come home together in the car, after a lunch at Sherry's where more than one envious outsider noticed the four handsome Josselyns laughing and chatting together. Gibbs had been full of concern for his wife, and had seen that she was comfortably tucked into bed when she got home. He had brought Tommy in for goodnight and talked cheerfully to his wife, while he undressed the child by the fire. And Ellen, watching him, had been afraid that she would suddenly scream out, and go mad.

She loved him so—she loved him so her love, clever, masterful Gibbs! She had loved him since the hour they met, and she could not unlove him now. She longed, with unceasing hun-

ger-gnawing at her heart, to have him her own again, to have his laughter, his confidences, his moods all for her. Ellen was not proud. She had told him a thousand times, in their happy years, that her life and her being were bound up in him; she could not change because he had changed.

Tommy's prayers were said—Tommy's goodnight kiss given—and all the while she knew—she knew that Gibbs was longing to get down stairs, to meet Lillian for one minute, for just the necessary second, that should reassure them both, that should equip them for fresh play-acting.

And she knew he was not happy that he never could be happy again in the old way—nor in the new way, either! As surely as the day would come when Lillian would give herself to him, and Ellen said feverishly to herself that it might already have been—so surely would the day come when he would read that cold and cruel heart of her right, and would shudder away from it in utter sickness of soul.

Josselyn, Senior, had aged ten years in this week. His pride was pierced in a vital spot. He had liked his position as elder in this household of brilliant young persons; he had admired Gibbs, Lillian, and Ellen, in their separate spheres, and had liked nothing so much as to make them happy, to be the power that could indulge and please them untrillingly.

Now accepting their ready explanations in the same spirit that Ellen did, he was awakened from the fool's dream. He saw himself an old man, gulped and blinded, put off with empty promises. He saw himself bringing untold suffering upon Ellen by his sentimental dream of having the younger family beneath his roof-tree. He saw her life ruined, his boy's life ruined, his own old age dishonored. Of Lillian he thought little; for many years he had realized that whoever might pay for his second wife's delinquencies, it would not be his second wife. There was no punishing Lillian; her heart was like a mirror that could give back only a reflection of her own charms.

And yet, of them all, during this strange week, it was Lillian who was really enduring the severest mental discomfort. For Lillian, discomfort of any sort was new, and she read a hundred times to write away from her apprehensive thoughts.

For although it had been perfectly true that Lillian on the night of the storm had gone to seek unexpected hospitality from old Mrs. Pepper at Great Neck, the fact she had successfully concealed from her husband was that Mrs. Pepper at the time had been making a long visit to her daughter-in-law, Lindsay, in Montreal.

Lindsay, Pepper, keeping bachelor quarters with his Japanese boy, had welcomed her with a festive and warming argument by the fire after her adventures, had assured her fully that he must find her a chamber before dinner time, or, somehow, anyhow, she must get back to town, and the "villino dell' Odo."

While Ellen, restless and suffering, had been wandering about the house at Wheatley Hills, and while Gibbs, thinking perhaps of Lillian's coming in the morning, had been dressing for his dull dinner at the club, Lillian had been experiencing her own uneasiness, too. Lindsay's devotion to her she had never questioned; it was one of the elements of her life with which her fancy liked to play, but she realized now that she had never truly estimated its depth and its power.

The storm was gathering in fury, and the friends to whom Lindsay was daily telephoning, one after another, regarded his suggestion of "getting together for a party" as something less than mad. Finally he had to face her ruefully with the simple summary: "Nothing doing!"

There was left them the alternative of struggling out into the storm, fighting their way for more than a bitter mile to the station, getting into the city by eight o'clock when Lillian, wet and blown, might still join the party at the Plaza, leaving Lindsay to dine and amuse himself otherwise as his fancy dictated. And had Lillian foreseen the events of the following morning, she would certainly have adopted this course at any sacrifice.

But his house was delightfully warm, and Klotz's dinner was already dispensing a delicious odor. No one need ever know that his mother had not championed this attack. The Japanese was discretion's self, and Lillian was no girl to be flattered by a touch of the unexpected. More, she began to enjoy the almost forgotten emotion of theatrical pleasure, the situation was full of theatrical beauty, and she herself was the leading woman. She borrowed a richly embroidered mandarin coat which Pepper sometimes wore about the house, and came downstairs a vision of marvelous beauty. It was not only pleasantly exciting; it was the easiest thing to do. And Lillian, above all things, loved ease.

And then had come the early trip into town, for Lindsay was leaving for Montreal, to bring his mother home, and Lillian had to keep her engagement with Gibbs. Lindsay was all devotion, this attitude, in fact, was the one element in the matter of which Lillian had taken no account. He glared at her with the vehemence of his affection, and made her nervous and uncertain. She had supposed that he would leave her at the art studio, but instead he came upstairs, and the two men talked together a few minutes.

During this time Lillian experienced exquisite uneasiness. Gibbs showed a disconcerting familiarity with old Mrs. Pepper's movements. When had she gotten back? How did she find Montreal? "I didn't know you knew old Mrs."

Pepper so well? Lillian said, when Lindsay was gone.

"Oh, I see her sometimes, watching the tennis," he answered carelessly. "Now take your wraps off, and I'll have Marle bring you in some coffee!" Her big fur coat in his arms, he caught up her bare hand. "No ring?" he smiled.

For he was painting her in a dull green robe, and the big jade ring she frequently wore was an excellent bit of color in the picture.

If she had had the quickness to say that she had left it at home! But Lillian was not quick at best, and just now she was tired and confused. She had left it on the washstand in the bathroom next to Mrs. Pepper's room; she remembered its exact position, and she said that she would write Mrs. Pepper at once, and ask her to return it.

"Well, run along, and get into your pig!" Gibbs said anxiously. But when she had disappeared into the little model's room, and when Marle had brought in the coffee and when he had tolerated about waiting, Lillian, and still she did not come, he picked up the telephone book. As well to settle the matter quickly! The delay of a few hours might mean that the ring was swept carelessly away and lost.

And so it was Gibbs' turn to have his castle of dreams fall about him in ashes. When Lillian came innocently back from the model-room, eager for the explanation that they had never even anticipated for days, he saw for the first time the woman she really was.

"Your ring's all right," he said presently. "I telephoned. The Jew said he'd found it."

Her eyes flew to his face. She saw what he knew, and her color faded a little.

"Gibbs," she said quickly and breathlessly. "You know how it happened. I wanted to tell you all about it, any way. But Lindsay asked me not to. You see, it was storming; horribly."

Beautiful, eager, in her green robe, she poured out the story as she had arranged and adapted it in the night, and slowly making the colors on his palette not meeting her eyes, Gibbs listened. There was a certain shade of yellow-brown that would always speak to him of this hideous moment, with its black of hideous truth, and its taste of ashes. When she ended, with a wide-eyed, innocent appeal, he smiled, and still with averted eyes, he nodded. "Blame you? No-o-o, I don't blame you, Lillian!" he said gently, after a silence.

"But smile at me, Gibbs," she said, with an uneasy laugh and a rather uncertain assumption of her old contented manner. "I'll have to come over there, and make you smile."

Before he could speak again, the door was opened by her husband.

She knew that in the moment he had realized her deception about Lindsay. Pepper she had come close to losing Gibbs. She felt a contentment for the weakness in herself that had permitted her to risk the love of the man she really desired for the old admirer who had just, by contrast with the new, any power to stir her. But Lillian could not think that Gibbs would not return to her. He was here, he was hers, and angry now, but she had still, as a weapon, their dangerously propinquity and she had still the disturbing and appealing beauty he had found irresistible.

So Lillian played her game safely, and bided her time. This storm would blow over as other storms had. She would need only a little patience. She would need caution. Patience and watchfulness were among Lillian's virtues.

But Gibbs knew that it was all over. He had made a fool of himself, for he had told himself that it was only a pretty and exciting game. He had lived in the light of those dark and magnificent eyes, he had thrived to the touch of her smooth, warm hand. That he had never actually been false to Ellen was of small comfort to him now. The house of cards had fallen about him through no heroic measure of his own. He had placed himself in an unguarded, in a ridiculous position, he had let her deceive him with the rest.

And with the revelation that she had, from sheer good-natured laziness, placed herself under Lindsay's power for the night, and with the bitter thought that Lindsay's coarse devotion meant quite as much to her as insatiable appetite for admiration as did his own exquisitely expressed friendship, Gibbs' wakening had come.

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He could not bear to look at her now, to speak to her. He felt into a mood of angry silence; his father's attitude of watchfulness, Ellen's voiceless question and reproach, and Lillian's tireless efforts to re-establish the old order of things, alike infuriated him.

CHAPTER X

As Ellen came in with an armful of roses, the big clock in the hall began to chime in a jelsurely manner, and glancing at it, she saw that it was twelve o'clock. Long afterward Ellen Josselyn thought of that moment, and of the events that would stamp themselves on her heart, and brain before the clock chimed for another noonday. But at the time she only reflected that luncheon was in half an hour, and she was muddy and disheveled; she would put the roses in the study, and fly upstairs to brush and change. Very often she carried flowers into the study; the maids were not allowed to enter the room, and the old man liked to find traces of his daughter-in-law's affection waiting there.

Only Lizzie was in the study. She was standing, pale and staring, by the table, facing the door. She gave a little cry, helpless and forlorn, as Ellen came in.

"Lizzie—My Child!" Ellen said in a sharp whisper. "What are you doing? What were you going to do?"

Ellen came in. Ellen's eyes flashed to her thin fingers, which lay on the beautiful shining body of a revolver on the table.

Before the little cry, half protest and half whimper, had died away, Ellen had sprung at her, wrenched the terrible thing free, and flung it back into its place in the drawer, pushed her own body against the drawer to close it, and caught Lizzie by the shoulders, forcing the girl to face her. While they stood there, panting, the shadow of death flitted past slowly from the room. The fire crackled, the sunlight, pouring through green bottle-culms, fell peacefully upon the soft tones of rugs and leather chairs.

"Lillian—my child!" Ellen said, in a sharp whisper. "What were you going to do? What were you going to do?"

No need to answer. Lizzie attempted not to move. She hung her head, her breath came on childish dry sobs.

Ellen's thoughts raced. There was only one explanation of this. Lizzie was "in trouble." Ellen had noticed something about the pretty eyes blacker than ones. She remembered now that Lillian's mother, a tall, thin woman, had come all the way to Wheatley Hills one day, in a plumber's delivery van, to look at a mysterious but violent conversation with the girl who had cried bitterly. Afterward, she had explained to Ellen that she wanted her to get married, and Ellen had wisely observed that she was right, not to take that step until she felt ready for it.

So that was it. This gentle, unassuming little woman had been carrying that burden in her heart. Ellen made the girl sit down on the great seat by the fire, and sat down herself beside her. She kept one kindly hand on Lizzie's shoulder, and fixed imploring eyes upon the tear-swollen face. The older woman still felt herself to be frightened and shaken, but her tone was as quiet as she could make it.

"Lizzie, my dear! That was a wicked thing to do. Can't you tell me about it? You know Tommy loves you, and I love you. Tell me."

The tone entirely melted poor Lizzie, whose breast began to heave painfully. Ellen thrust her handkerchief into the girl's hand, and Lizzie sobbed unbroken, wrenching her whole body in her grief, and making stifled sounds like a person strangling.

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The Kitchen Cabinet

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Hold fast the good and seek the better yet.
Press on and prove the pilgrim's hope of youth.
That creeds are milestones on the road to truth.
—Henry Van Dyke.

FROM GRANDMOTHER'S BOOK

Is there anyone who does not enjoy a nicely made, well-seasoned and baked pumpkin pie?
Old-Fashioned Pumpkin Pie.—Take one and one-half cups of well-steamed and browned pumpkin which has been sifted to remove all stringy portions, two-thirds of a cup of brown sugar or the same of white, with two table-spoonsful of molasses, one teaspoonful of cinnamon, one-half teaspoonful of ginger, one teaspoonful of salt, a quarter of a teaspoonful of lemon extract, two slightly beaten eggs and a pint of rich milk. Combine the ingredients and turn into rich pastry-lined pie plate and bake in a moderate oven until when a knife is thrust into the center it comes out clean. If desired for an especially festive occasion, sprinkle with nuts or grated cheese and top with roses of whipped cream.

Golden Chips.—Slice pumpkin into strips one-half inch thick, take an equal weight of sugar, adding one-half cup of lemon juice for each two pounds of sugar. Place the pumpkin and sugar in the preserving kettle in alternate layers. Pour the lemon juice over the whole and let stand twenty-four hours. Add one cupful of water for each three pounds of sugar and an ounce each of ginger root and lemon peel for each pound of fruit. Cook until the slices are tender, pack in an earthen jar, boil down the sirup until thick and pour over the fruit bottling hot. Seal.

Squash makes a pie that is enjoyed by many, almost as well as pumpkin. Prepare it in the same manner. Cooked mashed carrots also make a most wholesome pie filling.

Stewed Squash.—Cut half-bushel squash into small pieces, steam until tender. Mash and mix with butter and thick cream to season, add one beaten egg, salt and white pepper. Mix thoroughly and put into a well-buttered baking dish, cover with a thick layer of well-buttered crumbs and bake forty minutes in a slow oven.

A few peas cooked with finely sliced carrots will make a good vegetable dish when served with drawn butter sauce or a white sauce.

In these "hard" months of December and January, the forest gives its own life to the winter as the poets feign. "Sleep has entered into the forest," has made the deep silence its habitation; but the forest itself is awake, mysterious, omnipresent, a creature seen at last in its naked majesty.—Flora MacLeod.

COLD WEATHER SOUPS

With a can of chowder one may have a most nourishing chowder with the following ingredients:

Clam Chowder.—Take a three-inch square bit of salt pork cut it into half-inch dice and fry in the chowder kettle until crisp and brown; add three small onions, sliced; cook them in the hot fat until a light yellow, then add half a dozen medium-sized potatoes, sliced; cover with water, bring to a boil and add the vegetables are well done. Add a can of clams, liquor and all, with one quart of rich milk; bring to the boiling point; season well and serve with crackers.

Parsnip Chowder.—Dice one-quarter pound of fat salt pork and place in a chowder kettle. Add one onion, thinly sliced and fried to a golden brown. Add two cups of sliced potatoes and two cups of parsnips, also diced, both uncooked; two and one-half teaspoonsful of salt, one-quarter teaspoonful each of paprika and celery salt, one eighth of a teaspoonful of pepper, three cups of boiling water. Simmer until the parsnips are tender; add three table-spoonsful of butter and one quart of scalding hot milk. Serve with toasted crackers.

Red Beet Soup.—Take three pounds of the skin of beef. Wipe the meat and cut the lean part into cubes. Place in a soup kettle together with three quarts of boiling water, three onions, sliced thin, one teaspoonful of salt, one-quarter teaspoonful of pepper, one teaspoonful of whole allspice, one-half cupful of vinegar, one-half cupful of sugar and six medium-sized beets that have been boiled ten minutes, then skinned and grated. Cook for two and one-half hours, adding more water, if necessary. Strain and serve hot with boiled potatoes.

Sauerkraut and Kraut.—Wrap a small-sized sparerib around a quart of meat of good water kraut. Place in a hot oven for twenty minutes, then reduce the heat and bake for several hours or until the kraut is tender. Serve on a hot platter with the ribs rolled around the kraut.

Neelie Maxwell

John Cabot's Reward

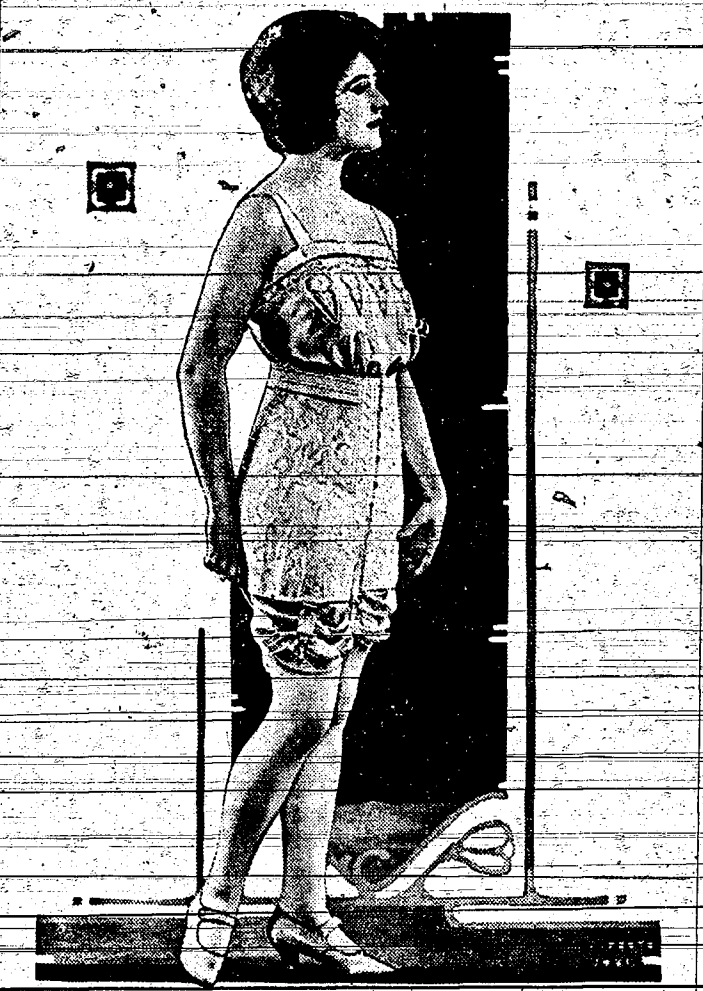
Enterprise was lavishly rewarded in the time of Henry VII of England. That monarch, from his own purse, bestowed the great sum of ten pounds sterling on John Cabot for discovering the mainland of North America in 1497.

Costly Idol Worship

Many even poor Chinese, it is said, spend from 20 to 25 per cent of their income in idol worship, which practically eats away their capital.

ADROIT CORSETING REQUIRED; TUNIC BLOUSE IS TRIUMPH

IN THE matter of slenderness, fashion is obdurate—she still likes (or pretends to like) almost curvilinear, flat-chested figures, suggesting immature girlhood. They look all right in the fashion books, but if the gaudy ladies pictured there were to come to life and circulate among us, Fashion would change her mind. Meantime womanhood, more or less plump and



Shows Art of Corseting.

pretty, looks to the corsetiers to give the figure straight and stylish lines. Nearly all the new corsets are low-top or topless models, made of satin, broche or rubber. Wrap-around, or strapless, they have long, or medium long, hip lines. Many of the new models have no lacing; the strong, firm, elastic materials are so put together that they give the figure shape. Lining grows less and less a factor in their composition while designers rely upon materials to sustain and restrain the figure without hampering the body or impairing it. If almost every woman's figure that one sets should be fitted—there are models to suit different types of figures among blouses. The picture given here presents one of these blouses holding the center of the stage for a minute, and speaking its simple lines with an adorable French accent. If one has a mind favorable to beautiful simplicity and likes the piquant accent, it is easy enough to repeat this garment which the picture shows as completely. The body of this blouse is made of broadened silk with a deep plaiting of georgette at the bottom and narrow sleeves of the same ending in a narrow wristband of brocade. A long, narrow, elasticated waistband passes through the slashes in the blouse and ties at the left side, and the model is



One of the Tunic Blouses.

particularly well adapted to afternoon wear. While it holds the center of the stage in afternoon dress, the tunic blouse has an important role to play in tailored modes as a part of the ensemble suit. It is a high light in this year's contributions to dress and evening dress, and made its entire in handsome models of georgette crepe, most of them short-sleeved and decorated with beadings, it is very handsome in brocade, chiffon, metallic brocades and ombre chiffon. For evening the short-sleeved, long tunic, flaring toward the bottom and finished with narrow, fur banding, leaves nothing to be desired.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.
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Occasional Wide Hat

While the majority of hats are high-crowned and small-brimmed, one now and then sees a hat of the picture variety. In brown felt, with sweeping uncured plumes of orange a hat of this sort worn recently was as wide of hrim as Gainsborough himself could wish.

Decorate Wood Ornaments

One of the smartest street frocks of navy charwomen has for trimming crocheted flowers of white and red wool. These consist of a flat red

Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

BY MARY GRAHAM BONNER

THE CHRISTMAS TREE

There were four children in the family and they lived far, far out in the country.

It was beautiful there, but it was hard to reach, particularly when there were great snow storms and when sometimes the snow was banked high all about.

They were getting a little bit worried, perhaps Santa Claus would not be able to make the trip—it even looked these days, close before Christmas, that it would storm still more.

The children went out into the woods, walking over the snow on the snow shoes which Santa had given them before. Each year one child had been given a pair while the others had smaller presents for they all thought that was very fair to have their big gift given to them in turn. They all had a pair now.

So now they all could get over the snow to the big woods beyond and there they found such a nice little tree, and brought it back to the house.

"We will help Santa all we can," they said.

So they chopped up some boards and fastened the tree in between the boards and after shaking off all the snow they fixed the tree in the front window of the house.

Then they took out a box of some of the things which had been up on the tree the year before and they wrote Santa this letter:

"We know, dear Santa, that even if you can get here through all this snow—for we're afraid the raindrops will find this one of the worst storms they've ever found—it will take a lot of time.

"So we're helping you all we can. You will see that the tree is waiting to be trimmed. But we have saved the trimmings from last year and there in the box so you won't have to get way down into your bag for the trimmings you carry with you.

"You trim it so beautifully we're leaving it for you to do, if you have



Such a Nice Little Tree.

time, though we have strung some cranberries and popcorn on it as you will see.

"We are leaving some sugar for the reindeer and there will be some cold meat and a piece of pie for you in the pantry if you feel hungry.

"The pie is nice.

"Merry Christmas and lots of love from four of your devoted admirers."

They felt very happy when they saw that the letter, which they had put by the fireplace, was gone the next morning. So the storm had not kept Santa from getting his letters. They could picture him back in his workshop reading them all after he got home. But the storm still kept up and they felt a little bit nervous about Santa's arrival on Christmas Eve.

But they went to bed hoping, just as hard as ever four people hoped!

In the morning they hardly dared go down the stairs but as they slowly went down the first few steps they caught sight of a trimmed tree below.

Down they bounded, singing as lustily as they could.

"Christmas comes but once a year. Christmas comes but once a year!"

There was the tree all trimmed and there, fastened on one of the branches was a note.

It was from Santa Claus and he had thanked them for helping him with the trimming. The reindeer thanked for the sugar and Santa particularly thanked him for the piece of pie. The children had provided these the night before.

And he was sorry, but on account of the storm he had not been able to bring so much with him as he wanted to make the load light for his reindeer over such terrible snow banks and snow drifts.

But he had brought them a "Joint Christmas"—a Christmas party for them all to enjoy.

And under the tree was a basket and in the basket was a dear little dog with a red ribbon around his neck. With a bound the dog was kissing each of them in turn and the children were shouting:

"Well, of all the Christmas days we've ever had this is the best of all!"

And the little dog seemed to think it was a pretty nice day too!

Could Be Done

"Even a policeman can't arrest the flight of time," said the funny man.

"Oh, I don't know," rejoined the matter-of-fact person. "Only the other day I saw a cop enter a side door and stop a few minutes."

A Sweeping Petition

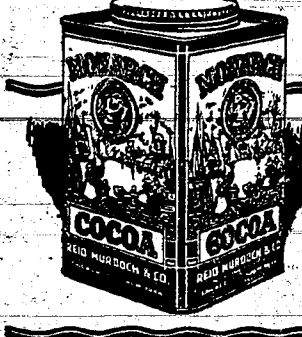
"Lord, make us thankful for what we receive," is the petition of a Billville brother, "but keep us out of the hands of a receiver, even if you have to paralyze him, temporarily, so he can't take hold on us."—Atlanta Constitution.

The Better Part

He is happy whose circumstances suit his temper; but he is more excellent who can suit his temper to any circumstance.—Hume

Most for your money

Women prefer Monarch and Farm House Cocoa for two reasons. First, because they cost only about half as much as other brands of similar quality. Second, because it is hard to find better cocoa, regardless of cost. Always ask for Monarch if you prefer Dutch Process Cocoa—for Farm House if you like the American Process better.



FARM HOUSE AMERICAN PROCESS COCOA
19¢

MONARCH DUTCH PROCESS COCOA
38¢

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Grocers—Monarch Cocoa, Canyon, Sweet Public, Condensed, Fruit, Vegetables and all products of our kitchen are sold only by Regular Retail Grocers. We are not to be confused with cheap imitations.

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A complement through which purchases, clothing for pressing, etc., is delivered to and from your room without incursion of messengers. Protects from excessive tipping. Running ice water in every room.
Rates per day: \$2 and up
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STEPHEN F. FRYMAN, Manager

Encourages Music Study

High wages being paid to good musicians in dance orchestras and as singers in places of amusement are responsible to a large extent for the increasing number of music students in the various conservatories, according to directors of such places. These directors expect certain good artists results to come from the attraction of this field of activity to the masses.

Boschee's Syrup

Alleviates irritation, soothes and heals throat and lung inflammation. The constant irritation of a cough keeps the delicate mucous membrane of the throat and lungs in a congested condition, which BOSCHEE'S SYRUP gently and quickly heals. For this reason it has been a favorite household remedy for colds, coughs, bronchitis and especially for lung troubles in millions of homes all over the world for the last fifty-eight years. Nothing but nature can obtain a good night's rest, free from coughing with easy expectation in the morning. You can buy BOSCHEE'S SYRUP wherever medicines are sold.—Adv.

Heard in Germany

Heinrich—We certainly have to praise the good old times when—
Karl—Well, what do you mean by the good old times?
Heinrich—Oh, about ten minutes ago.

DEMAND "BAYER" ASPIRIN

Take Tablets "Without Fear If You See the Safety 'Bayer' Cross."

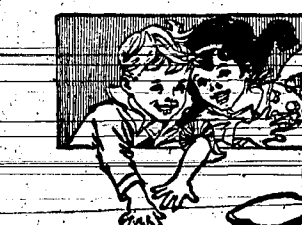
Warning! Unless you see the name "Bayer" on package or on tablets you are not getting the genuine Bayer Aspirin—proved safe by millions and prescribed by physicians for 23 years. Say "Bayer" when you buy Aspirin. Imitations may prove dangerous.—Adv.

Not a Bargain

Mrs. Dush-Henry, dear, I'm going to the beauty specialist's this afternoon. Could you let me have \$20?

Dash—Hm—\$20? Do you think that will be enough?—London Tit-Bits.

The favorite of Home Bread-makers Yeast Foam



Mothers! "If your children do not possess a very keen appetite for baker's bread, try home-made bread and note the sudden increase in the youngsters' bread consumption."
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We are placing on Sale our entire line of Ladies', Misses' and Children's

Winter Coats at 1-4 off

Never, at this season of the year have we given such sharp reductions on Ladies Coats. We urge you to come and pick your garment out now.

MEN! A BEFORE CHRISTMAS SALE OF NEW SUITS!

235 Men's and Young Men's Suits on Sale at---

1-4 Off

Genuine Reduction of 25 per cent on every Suit.

Get your Christmas Suit Now and Save

Grayling Mercantile Company

The Quality Store.

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FOR CHRISTMAS BUYERS

The remainder of my Overcoats, values from \$25 to \$30,

Now \$22

One lot, valued at \$22

Now \$19.85

And still another lot at—

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Come Early as Sizes are getting broken.

Ladies' and children's coats and dresses are astounding everyone by the prices made at this store, they are selling rapidly. U. R. Next!

FRANK DREESE
(ON THE HILL)

G.—H.—S. "PEP"

EDITORS:
Maude Taylor, Astrid Ahman,
Eva Hendrickson, Cora King.

"Humor."

Ernest L.: "Why, Mr. Burnham, this is way above our heads."
Mr. Burnham: "I know it, I'm talking where your heads ought to be."

"Characterization of Seniors."

Toiling, perspiring, sorrowing,
Onward through life he goes;
Each morning finds some task begun;
Night never sees it close;
Something attempted, nothing done,
He seeks his night's repose.

Engineers: "And poor Harry was killed by a revolving crane."
English woman: "My word! What fierce birds you have in America!"

Mr. Burnham: (Hunting deer.)
"What species was that I just shot?"
J. Robertson: "He says his name is Smith."

A Few "Said,"
"He's not in our school any more,"
said the Salmon, "he got canned in the spring."

"They're all crazy about me here,"
said the asylum keeper.
"We'll soon get the can," said the pork and beans.

"Returned With Interest."
A boy let the farm and got a job in the city. He wrote a letter to his brother, who was elected to stick to the farm, telling the joys of the city in which he said: "Thursday we auto'd out to the Country Club where we golfed until dark. Then we motored to the beach for the week-end."

The brother on the farm wrote back: "Yesterday we bugged to town and baseballled all the afternoon. Then we went to Ned's, poked around until morning. Today we muled out to the cornfield and geohawed until sundown. Then we suppered and then we staired for a while. After that we stair-cased up to our room and bedsteaded

until the clock fived."

Mr. Smith: "Good, then take this handle the English language?"
Lillian Ziebell: "Sir, my knowledge of the English language has always been my greatest asset."
Mr. Smith: "Good, then take the dictionary down stairs."

Sigurd: "Marian, I pine for you and balsam."

Miss Thomas: "What does a bank cashier do?"
Belinda: "That would be telling!"

A comedy of Errors, The Junior play.
A man in disguise, Shiek Hoesli.
The Boy from the Laundry,
Ora Ingalls.
The Uncovered Wagon, York's Ford.
The Fall of Napoleon, Miss Turcott.
The Favorite, Al Schroeder.
Much Ado About Nothing,
The Girls Basket Ball team.

Apology of York.
My auto 'tis of thee,
Short road to poverty,
Of thee I chant.

I blew a pile of dough,
On you a year ago;
Now you refuse to go,
Or won't or can't.

Through town and country side,
You were my joy and pride,
A happy day,
I loved the gaudy hue,
The nice white tires so new,
But you're down and out for true,
In every way.

To thee, old rattle box,
Many bumps and knocks,
For thee I grieve,
Badly thy top is torn;
Frayed are thy seats, and worn,
Whooping-cough effects thy horn,
I do believe.

Thy perfume swells the breeze,
While good folks choke and wheeze,
As we pass by.
I paid for thee a price,
I would buy a nation twice;
Now everybody's yelling "ice,"
I wonder why.

The motor has the grippie,

The spark plug has the pip,
And woe is mine.
I too have suffered chills,
Faded and kindred ill,
Endeavoring to pay my bills,
Since thou wert mine.
Gone is my bank roll now,
No more 'would shake the cow,
As once before,
Yet I had the lion,
So help me John, when
I'd buy a car again,
And speed some more.

Uncle, asked the little boy, what is a "Cafe de luce?"
Uncle: Oh, about five per cent cafe, and ninety-five per cent looks.

John Brady: Bet your car sticks in the road all right.
York Edmunds: You're right, it stuck for five hours this morning before I could move it.

Sigurd in restaurant: "I want a sandwich for my girl."
Waiter: "Olive?"
S. J.: "No, Bertha."

Personals.

Kindergarten News.
Yvonne Kraus has been absent from school.
We are planning a Christmas play.

First Grade News.

Carl Peterson has returned to school after a few weeks absence.

4th A and B and 5th Grade News.
We are planning a Christmas program and tree together.

Fourth B grade is practicing for a Christmas program also.

Miss LaSalle is unable to teach due to illness.

The Junior class are practicing for their play which they expect to give the fore part of January.

The name of the play is, "Am I Intruding," a comedy of four acts.

The characters are:
Mrs. Hastings, housekeeper, Erma Sjoholm.
Blair Hoover, adventurer, Wayne Ewalt.

Ernest Rebore, secretary, De Vere Cripps.
Marjory Vire, the elder daughter, Marian Reynolds.
Dickie Waldron, a romanticist, Leonard Turppe.

Monks, the French maid, Genevieve Montour.

Horace Vire, the father, Russell Robertson.
Violet Vire, the younger daughter, Lucinda Colten.

Peter, devoted to Vi, Al Schroeder.
Gerald May, Jerry from Sage Dora, friend of Vi, Ruby Stephan.
Creek, Edgar Douglas.
Jane Vire, Niece, Helen Granger.

The sale of Tuberculosis Christmas seals is now on. Grayling has always had a good record so let's keep it up! Buy your seals from any student in school.

The next number of the Redpath Lyceum course will be given next Tuesday, Dec. 16. This number will be, Wherahiko Rawei presenting a South Sea entertainment.

If the people desire to retain services of the Lyceum course for future years, more will have to patronize the rest of the numbers of this course.

Mrs. Milnes is substituting for Miss Sprague's Domestic Science and art classes.

Mr. Smith gave a very interesting talk in the assembly room Thursday, on the sale of Tuberculosis Christmas seals. Where they originated and the purpose for which they were being sold.

The Freshmen and Soph's gave a farewell party in honor of Edwin and Clarence Morfit who are leaving school, and expect to go to New Jersey.

De Vere Wolcott has returned to school after several weeks absence due to an injury received while riding horseback.

Miss Meyer is again teaching after being absent a few days owing to illness.

Tardy marks in high school too high!!!

Matilda Collens is suffering from a broken arm.

Athletics.

The basket ball boys are working hard to form a fast team for the seasons of '24-'25. They are in hopes of a successful one, although they have a hard schedule to fill. Their first game will be with Roscommon here December 19th.

Also the boys and girls second teams will play. Frederic here the same night.

Everyone out to the first High school games of the season.

The boys and girls second basket ball teams will play Frederic at Frederic Friday, Dec. 12th.

The H. S. "Bobbies" played the teachers last Friday evening, as a preliminary to the Mancelona-Grayling game.

The teachers looked as though they would be victorious at the end of the first quarter, the score being 6-0, but the "Bobbies" began to show their ability of playing in the next three quarters and when the game ended, the score had decidedly changed to 31-8 in the "Bobbies" favor.

GET RID OF THAT BACKACHE!

Grayling People Point the Way

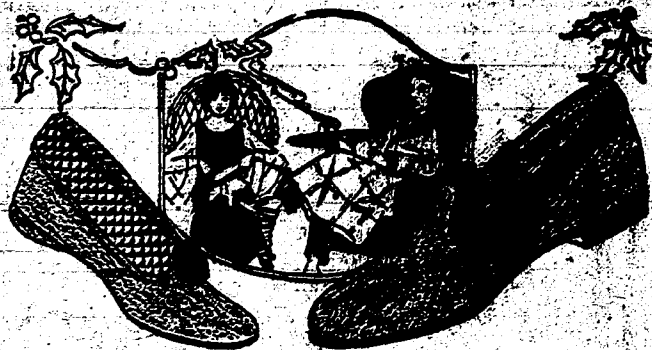
The constant aching of a bad back, The weariness the tired feeling; Headaches, dizziness, nervousness, Distressing urinary disorders, Are often signs of failing kidneys and too serious to be neglected. Get rid of these troubles!

Use Doan's Pills—a stimulant diuretic to the kidneys.

Hosts of people recommended Doan's. This is a Grayling case. You can verify it.

N. W. Colbach, Prop. confectionery, Michigan Ave., residence Norway St., says: "I had backache and as time passed, my feet and limbs swelled until they were all out of shape. This made it mighty hard for me to get around. Puffy sacs came under my eyes and I began to suffer with dizzy spells, when little specks came before my eyes. My kidneys acted irregularly and the secretions contained sediment. After using three boxes of Doan's Pills, I was cured."

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Men's fine Hose for Xmas

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Come in and compare prices and quality.

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"Headquarters for Better Shoes for Less."

Locals

READ THE AVALANCHE.

Johannes Jorgenson and family are enjoying a new Dodge sedan.

Mrs. Charles Coyle left Tuesday for Saginaw to spend a few days with friends.

Mrs. David Malafant and Mrs. Paul Sivral were in Roscommon Saturday on business.

Leo Schram has purchased the Mrs. Martha A. Malafant cottage in Oak Hill Park at Lake Margrethe.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Smith were called to Twining Tuesday owing to the illness of the latter's father.

Mrs. George Burke returned Saturday from Detroit where she has been spending a week on business.

C. J. Hathaway Optometrist of Pontiac will be in Grayling Dec. 29 & 30, to look after his optical practice.

American Legion basket ball team primed Cranston Cardinals on the latter floor Tuesday night to the tune of 54-26.

Special Week End Brick Ice Cream arrives every Friday. Try one and see how much better it is after kept in our electric cooler.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Howae of Maple Forest had as their guests last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Parsons and Mr. Louis Delaine, at dinner.

Census bureau statistic show that the American people in 1923 spent over \$1,000 a minute, or \$17,000,000 a day, for candy and ice cream.

Rev. and Mrs. J. Herman Baughn returned home Tuesday afternoon from Detroit where Mrs. Baughn has been receiving medical treatment.

Lorne J. Douglas, a former Grayling boy has been honored by being elected Mayor of Ancient Marks Lodge No. 303, F. & A. M. of Saginaw.

The children of St. Mary's church are busy practicing on a program, which will be given during the yuletide at a Christmas tree to be given for the children.

Mr. and Mrs. Holger Peterson and son John Henry and Mrs. Peterson's mother Mrs. Henry spent the week end visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Holstrom at Lansing.

Miss Viva Hoesli entertained several girls in honor of her birthday anniversary games and contests were the chief entertainment after which a delicious lunch was served.

There will be the regular services at the Memorial church next Sunday, December 14. Morning service at 10:30 a. m.; evening service at 7:00 p. m. Young people's service at 8:00 p. m.

Miss Ireta LaSalle, teacher of music and drawing in the Grayling schools, submitted to an operation for appendicitis at Grayling Mercy hospital Tuesday morning. She is reported to be getting along nicely.

Clarence Mortenson of Flint, Son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Mortenson of Benver Creek township, was the holder of the lucky ticket that won a \$100 prize at the city lottery.

Mrs. Anthony Trudeau entertained twelve ladies at "500" at her home Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. A. was the winner of prizes. A very nice lunch was served by the hostess.

Parker Duofold Pens and the Big Bro large pencil as well as the smaller sizes. Get your pick before the stock is depleted.

Central Drug Store.

The weather reports threatened Northern Michigan this week with snow galore and severely cold weather. Thus far we have had neither. Today there isn't enough snow to run a hand sled, and the sun is shining and the air is crisp and clear and far from being cold.

Compare the PRICE!

—of the New Studebaker with that of other necessities of life.

Studebaker per lb. 40c

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